

Peers will not be allowed to overturn Social Security Bill

By Nicholas Wood, Political Reporter

The Government is to reverse its defeats in the Lords on the Social Security Bill, which would add at least £460 million a year to public spending.

The Lords vote could also add another £100 million to public spending through a "technical flaw" which, according to the DHSS, would stop deductions from rates rebates being made for non-dependants such as sons and daughters in work.

Housewife wins home care case

By Thomson Prentice

The housewife who forced the Government to change its policy and pay married women to look after elderly relatives heard the European Court of Justice confirm her £55 million victory in Luxembourg yesterday.

Mrs Jacqueline Drake's test case triumph was formally endorsed by the judges, who said that it was a breach of EEC rules not to pay a married woman a benefit which formed part of a statutory scheme when that benefit was available to a married man.

The Government yielded to campaigners, including Mrs Drake, on Monday by ordering invalid care allowances to be paid to up to 70,000 married women caring for disabled people at home.



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Mr Basil Clarke (right) who is fighting for compensation for Lozells Road traders, listens yesterday to the complaint of Mr Abdul Begg, who lost three shops in the rioting (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

'Facade' fear in riot area

By Craig Seton

Traders whose shops were destroyed during last year's riots in Handsworth, Birmingham, said yesterday that they fear that the Prince of Wales will today be presented with a "cosmetic facade" disguising the lack of rebuilding in the area.

Nine months after the riots, only 5 per cent of an estimated £7 million in compensation claims have been paid and the rest could take another two years. There are empty sites where 13 shops stood and another dozen damaged or looted properties are empty or under repair.

The Prince is visiting the area today and Mr Rod Hackney, a community architect who has worked closely with him said he would be looking for "tangible evidence" that local people were involved in initiatives to regenerate the area and prevent further riots.

'Forests damaging wildlife'

By Hugh Clayton Environment Correspondent

Forest planting should be curbed drastically unless it stops damaging wildlife, the Nature Conservancy Council said yesterday in an exceptionally tough statement about the impact of the timber industry on the countryside.

Although the published report was slightly milder than a much criticized draft issued for comment in the spring, it was an unusually forthright statement. It said there was room for more planting of forests, but only in places which had been certified as being of little importance to the survival of wildlife. Some methods used by foresters were "completely benign and desirable" while others were "totally incompatible and unwanted".



The devastated scene in Lozells Road, Handsworth, last year after the riots.

going through or is tied up in bureaucracy. Birmingham City Council also announced that eight new shopping units were to be built in the riot area, "signalling the start of the future rebuilding programme".

Channel Tunnel hearing begins

By George Hill

MPs examining the Channel Tunnel Bill began their work yesterday amid claims that the Government was resorting to "steamrollering" tactics to hasten the proceedings.

A lack of delay is crucial if the Bill is to reach the statute book in time to allow work on the £3 billion tunnel, which is strongly favoured by the Prime Minister, to start on schedule next year. The project would be in jeopardy if the committee stage of the Bill caused delays which might lead the tunnel's financial backers to lose heart. But hundreds of objectors have applied to give evidence.

The first hearing of the committee was thrown into disarray in its opening minutes yesterday when Mr Michael FitzGerald, QC, collapsed from the heat while presenting the Government's opening summary of its case.

Future of People Express in doubt

By Michael Baily Transport Editor

The future of People Express, the airline that took over from Sir Freddie Laker in the war over cut-price transatlantic fares, was in the balance last night, after falling traffic and a £40 million first quarter loss.

The airline and its financial advisers said that all or part of the company may have to be sold after problems arising mainly on its domestic routes.

The number of passengers travelling People Express, the no-frills US carrier, has dropped and costs risen in the airline that took the American aviation industry by storm five years ago.

The problems seem to have been compounded by a series of take-overs through which People bought three airlines. But, after absorbing those more conventional airlines People started to become more conventional itself.

Pay rise plea for spending watchdog

The official whose job is to scrutinize government spending and seek better value for money should be given a £10,000 a year pay increase, a parliamentary report recommended yesterday (Richard Evans writes).

Sir Gordon Downey, the Comptroller and Auditor General who heads the National Audit Office, earns £50,000 a year, but the Public Accounts Commission says his salary should be equal to that earned by the Treasury's top Civil Servant, which is £70,000 a year.

The MPs say the post's enhanced role justifies its elevation to the highest rank in the public service and they highlight the gap in pay rates between senior staff in the audit office and the private sector.

Hurd praise

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, yesterday complimented prison governors on the "wholly admirable" part they had played in the recent dispute in the prisons. He said they had shown exceptional competence and loyalty.

Royal opening

The Queen will today open a £50.4 million high-security conference centre in London designed to enable the Government to host important international meetings. Special report, pages 16,17

Hippie vans

Of 146 defective and unroadworthy vehicles seized when hippies were evicted from the New Forest two weeks ago, only 19 have so far been retrieved. The police said yesterday that any left unrepaired and unclaimed after a further week would be sold or destroyed.

Tanker case

The owners of the tanker Pointsman, which exploded two years ago killing four men and injuring 14 others, were yesterday found not guilty of six charges brought against them by the Health and Safety Executive at Swansea Crown Court.

Ropes ruling

Education chiefs in South Ribbles, Lancashire, have decided not to take disciplinary action against Miss Mary Piper, a teacher who used skipping ropes to tie up two allegedly disruptive pupils aged five at Higher Walton Church of England School.

Bomb remand

Mr Philip Kersey, aged 23, a mortuary technician, of Walworth, south London, was remanded for trial on £5,000 bail by Hove Magistrates yesterday charged with supplying bomb-making materials and conspiring to cause an explosion in November last year.

Correction

Up to the end of last May there were 184 "accumulated" deaths from Aids in Britain, not "new" deaths as stated in some editions on June 14. There were 362 "accumulated" cases of Aids.

Stalker to answer critics in public

By Peter Davenport

Mr John Stalker, deputy chief constable of Greater Manchester who was removed from the inquiry into the Royal Ulster Constabulary, will today publicly defend his character, friends, social life and career.

In an unprecedented spectacle he will hold a press conference to try to prove that he is innocent of any breach of the police disciplinary code and that he should be allowed to return to work.

Mr Stalker, aged 47, has been on leave for a month and replaced as head of the two-year investigation into an alleged shoot to kill policy by the RUC.

It is known that Mr Stalker would have called for more than 40 changes in the RUC's anti-terrorist operating procedures.

There have been claims that Mr Stalker has been the victim of a smear campaign. He was on the verge of detailing MI5 involvement in covert operations.

On Tuesday, Mr Stalker met Mr Colin Sampson, chief constable of West Yorkshire, who is leading the disciplinary investigation and who has replaced him on the Northern Ireland inquiry.

It is understood that Mr Stalker was asked about events he attended over with his friend Mr Kevin Taylor, a Manchester businessman and former chairman of the city's Conservative Association.

Many have been airtight and include: ● A nine-day holiday in Miami in 1981 aboard the yacht Diogenes, then owned by Mr Taylor and for which Mr Stalker says that he paid his full share of costs.

New York talks on Wapping

Mr Eric Hammond, general secretary of the EEUPTU, is to fly to New York on Friday for private talks with Mr Rupert Murdoch aimed at resolving the five-month dispute at News International's newspaper plant at Wapping, east London.

According to a union source the meeting was arranged after contacts "at other levels" between Mr Hammond and senior representatives of the company. There was no ministerial involvement.

The source added: "All I can say is that these are exploratory talks - part of the process we are involved in in trying to find an honourable settlement to resolve the situation. I cannot say from which side the initiative came."

Video training boosted

The Manpower Services Commission plans to spend £40 million over the next four years to improve vocational education and training through "open learning" techniques.

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Since the MSC's Open Tech programme was launched by in 1982, more than 25,000 people have taken occupational courses - often in electronics, computers and management techniques.

Mr Holland said that Britain was a world leader in the development of open learning, but it was doing less than a fifth of the retraining and reskilling for new technologies of other industrial countries.

Cancer linked to 'passive smoking', says senior scientist

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

Some people develop cancer by breathing the smoke from other people's cigarettes, according to Sir Richard Doll, the scientist who established the link between smoking and lung cancer in the 1950s.

His verdict contradicts the conclusions of the latest research on the risks of "passive" smoking. The Institute of Cancer Research has concluded that inhaling other people's smoke carries no significant increase in risk of lung cancer.

However, in a speech at the Royal Society of Medicine in London on Monday night, Sir Richard said: "Some cancers must certainly be caused by the involuntary, or passive, inspiration of smoke that others produce."

Smoking now accounts for about 90 per cent of all lung cancer deaths in Britain and for more than a third of deaths from all types of cancer in this country, he said.

Reduction in the use of tobacco is "outstandingly the most important" measure to prevent cancer, Sir Richard, who is honorary consultant to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund epidemiology unit at the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, said.

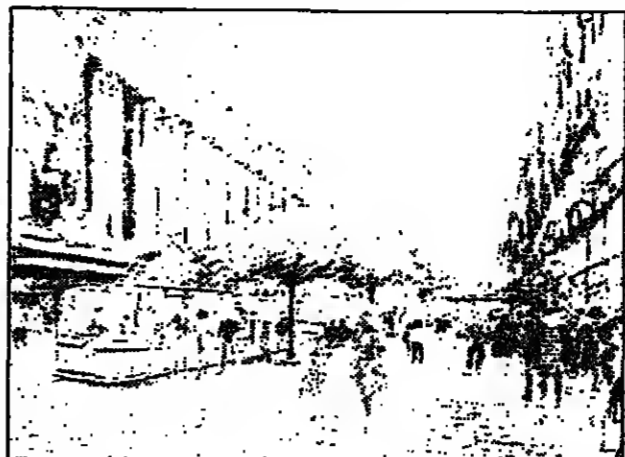
The Institute of Cancer Research is to publish its latest findings in the *British Journal*

of Cancer next month. The study, involving more than 12,000 people, concludes that passive smoking for life-long non-smokers carries no significant risk of lung cancer, bronchitis or heart disease.

Market traders who take a puff on a cigarette between serving customers with fresh food are in breach of food hygiene regulations, two High Court judges ruled yesterday.

Lord Justice Woolf and Mr Justice Simon Brown held that magistrates at Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, had not properly interpreted the regulations when they dismissed a prosecution brought by St Edmundsbury Borough Council against Mr Lawrence Bugg, a vegetable stallholder at Bury St Edmunds.

The magistrates acquitted Mr Bugg last October after accepting his evidence that he never smoked while serving customers but that he did smoke between customers, leaving his lit cigarette on the back of his trolley.



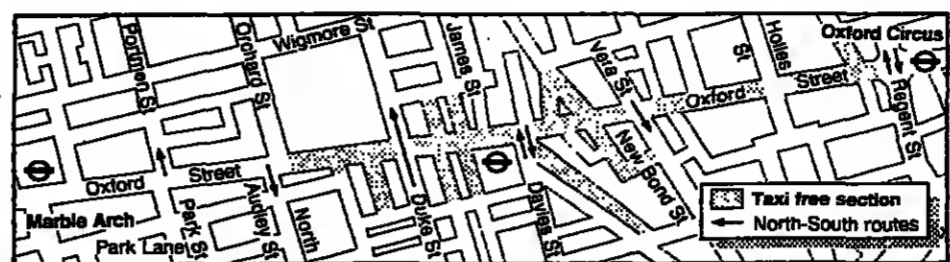
Oxford St facelift proposed

By Mark Dowd

Plans for a comprehensive facelift to take Oxford Street into the twenty-first century were unveiled yesterday.

Proposals in the interim report of Westminster City Council's Oxford Street Steering Group fall short of complete pedestrianization, but taxis would be banned between Orchard Street and Oxford Circus as part of a short-term experiment.

The report, announced by Mr Alan Bradley, planning and development committee chairman, suggests that one way to accommodate the displacement problem would be to provide more taxi ranks in the streets which cross Oxford



An artist's impressions of an Oxford Street for pedestrians: top left, cleared of taxis and, top right, busses too; the map shows taxi crossing points.

Street, ensuring that no one need walk more than 100 yards for a cab.

The steering group's traffic survey disclosed that 1,500 vehicles an hour pass through the street during shopping hours. Nearly half of these are taxis, most of which do not use the area for picking up or setting down but simply as a convenient through route across one of London's busiest traffic arteries.

Buses might also be diverted in the long term, but the task of re-routing the 21 services

and 340 buses an hour was deemed to be a much more complex and costly operation.

"In recent years, Oxford Street has become a victim of its own success. Overcrowded pavements, pollution, noise and general clutter are all detracting from what should be a shopping showpiece," Mr Bradley said.

"The street has an unacceptably high number of accidents."

Mr Bradley and Mr Harry Shepherd, director of the Ox-

ford Street Traders' Association, confirmed that it was a consultative document and that "nothing would be done without careful consideration of the effect on adjacent residential areas".

Mr Arnold Sandler, chairman of the Licensed Taxi Drivers' Association, was less impressed. He described the traffic survey in the report as "inadequate", and said he would be approaching the Office of Fair Trading if any moves were made to implement the partial ban on taxis.

Home call to press ahead with Trident

Lord Home of the Hirsel, the former Prime Minister, last night urged the Government and its successor to press ahead with completion of the Trident missile programme to give Britain a new strategic deterrent in 10 years' time.

There was little bargaining power left in Polaris, "and the Russians know it", he said.

President Ronald Reagan's Strategic Defence Initiative (SDI) would have to be seen to work before Nato would want to consider any changes in its defences. But it looked as if it would be 10 years before enough SDI hardware appeared to carry any conviction with the allies.

Lord Home was speaking in London at the Brassey's Defence Publishers annual dinner to an audience which included the chiefs of staff of the Royal Navy and the RAF, and Senator John Tower, the former Geneva arms negotiator.

But despite Lord Home's faith in the system, a book being published by Brassey's this week will question the Government's decision to buy Trident.

Dr Colin McInnes, a defence analyst, says in *Trident: The Only Option* that British defence policy is now approaching a financial crisis to which Trident is a big contributor.

Claim for £6m lost on scuttled carrier

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Fraudsters who try to bring crumpled-up insurance claims of shipping losses have been dealt a serious blow by a recent judgement from the London Commercial Court, the London marine insurance community said yesterday.

The court has found in favour of the insurers, Alliance Assurance Company, of London, in the case of the loss of a bulk carrier, Captain Panagos DP, which grounded in the Red Sea in 1982 and subsequently caught fire.

The claim for a loss of about £6 million plus interest, was rejected by leading London insurers on the ground that the vessel had been scuttled. Their case before the Commercial Court has been upheld after a 40-day hearing.

Mr Alan Birch, marine claims manager of the Sun Alliance Group of which the Alliance Assurance Company is part, said: "It is a very welcome result."

The claim was brought jointly by the mortgage bank, Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Company, of Chicago, who the judge said were innocent parties, with the owners, Xenofon Maritime SA, of Panama.

Unions to act on GCHQ dispute

Leaders of Whitehall unions yesterday agreed a programme of action as a first stage in the developing campaign to reverse the Government's decision to impose severe financial penalties on staff at the Government Communication Headquarters (GCHQ) who rejoined a trade union.

The policies committee of the Council of Civil Service Unions has called for demonstrations throughout Britain to express anger and indignation at the way union members at GCHQ Cheltenham have been treated.

The demonstrations will be timed to coincide with a planned meeting between unions and Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary. Asked whether strike action was being considered, Mr Bill McCall, the committee's acting chairman, said: "There is a great deal of anger in Government departments over this issue."

"There have already been walkouts in a number of offices, and if out of the protest meetings members take other industrial action that would not be surprising - but it is up to them."

The unions involved have agreed on a comprehensive "statement of case" to put to the Foreign Secretary. They will be using that and other publicity to back their claim that the penalties imposed are vicious and vindictive.

A dozen or so GCHQ workers have been disciplined after accepting a payment of £1,000 to leave their unions but then rejoining.

They have been told they will lose up to two pay increments for two years, be debarred from proposed new grading structures, incur impaired promotion prospects and be removed from overseas listings.

Yesterday's decisions will be discussed by the TUC's general council tomorrow.

Civil Service union leaders said that they were confident of TUC support for the further action now planned. They rejected government claims that the penalties were the responsibility of GCHQ management.

Mr McCall said: "The Government is accountable for actions of management in the Civil Service."

Court reduces jail terms for pit strikers

Two striking miners who attacked a working colleague in his home during the miners' strike had three-year jail sentences reduced to two years in the Court of Appeal in London yesterday.

Lord Lane, the Lord Chief Justice, allowing appeals by Martin and Nigel Hodgson, who are brothers, said: "We feel that the passage of time permits us to extend a measure of leniency in the hope that it may serve to help heal the many breaches caused by that terrible strike."

Martin, aged 27, and Nigel Hodgson, aged 25, were jailed on November 3 last year for causing Mr Michael Fletcher grievous bodily harm.

Lord Lane said that the attack by the brothers and other striking miners on Mr Fletcher at his Castleford home, was appalling.

He was struck with a pickaxe handle and a piece of metal while his pregnant wife and two small children were upstairs.

Prisoner died 24 hours after pronounced fit

A doctor pronounced a prisoner fit to remain in a jail's punishment block 24 hours before his death from kidney failure and heart problems, an inquest was told yesterday.

Dr Josef Mieszkowski, senior medical officer at Exeter Prison, took the decision despite a deterioration in Mark Hogg's condition.

Three hours later, after Hogg went into convulsions and developed breathing difficulties, he had to walk 300 yards to the prison hospital. He was taken to hospital in Exeter, but died next morning.

The long-running inquest has heard allegations from a fellow prisoner, Philip Ruthford, aged 26, that Hogg, of Russia Dock Road, east London, was kicked and punched by up to eight policemen at

Mortuary libel action won by pathologist

Dr Geoffrey Andrews, a pathologist, won libel damages in the High Court yesterday over allegations that conditions in his mortuary were frightening and below standard.

Mr Stuart Barber, a union official, had alleged in a report to the South West Health Authority in March 1980 that conditions at the St Woolos Hospital mortuary failed to comply with Government standards. He said Dr Andrews was responsible for unacceptable risks of infection.

Mr Barber, Cardiff area officer for the National Union of Public Employees, said that the pathologist was personally responsible for neglecting proper steps to ensure the safety of mortuary staff and failed to warn them when they were required to handle highly infectious bodies.

Mr Barber now accepted that the allegations were false, apologized and agreed to pay appropriate undisclosed damages and all legal costs.

Yeovil after they were recaptured after an escape, and by prison officers on their return to Exeter on September 27.

Yesterday, Dr Mieszkowski said that he examined Hogg three times; on each occasion he complained of vomiting and abdominal pains.

The doctor diagnosed a stomach bug. "I was perfectly satisfied there was no evidence of internal injury. But the day after the third visit - 24 hours before Hogg died - there was a deterioration. His eyes were 'puffy', he was spitting blood, still complaining of sickness and pain, and had a cut lip."

"I was surprised that his condition had changed. There was evident deterioration in his condition," Dr Mieszkowski said. The hearing continues

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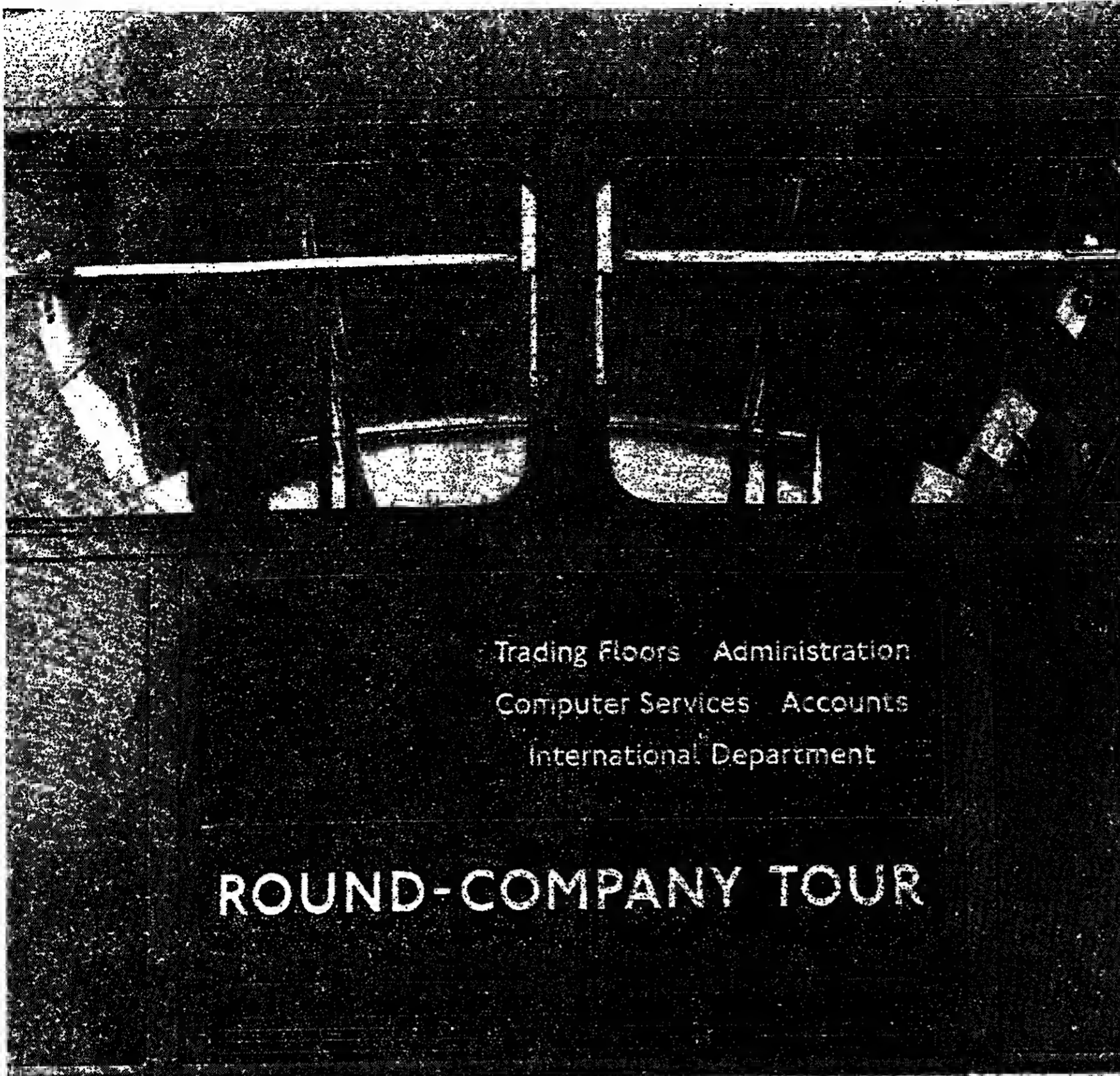


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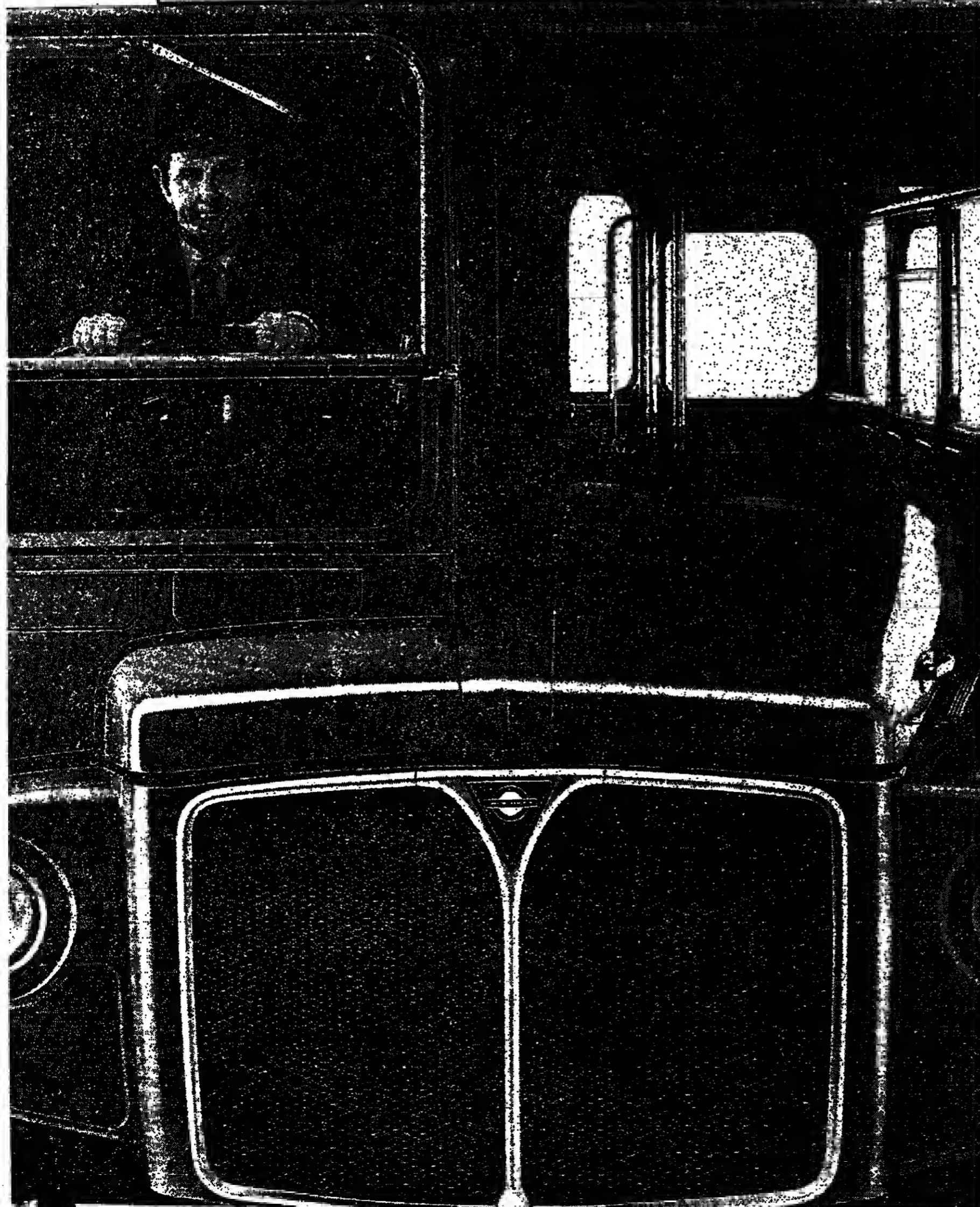
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Blast wrecks Bulgarian steel plant and kills 8 Polish expert advisers

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw
A large explosion in a Bulgarian steel plant has killed a number of people, including Polish metallurgical experts, according to official sources in Warsaw.

Reports from Bulgaria indicated that eight Poles had died, but did not give any other casualty figures.

The Bulgarian Prime Minister, Mr Georgi Atanasov, has appointed one of his deputies to supervise the recovery operation and a Polish steel specialist has been included in the team.

First information about the blast investigation in Srednogyorie on Monday was disclosed yesterday by the Polish

bloc, often hires out its specialists as advisers to neighbouring countries.

With little information available from the Bulgarian news agency, Sofia press, it was impossible to gauge the real scope of the explosion.

But diplomats in Soviet bloc countries assumed that it must be serious.

Bulgarian analysts said the man in charge of the investigation team would be either the Deputy Premier, Mr Ognyan Doynov, aged 51, or the first deputy premier, Mr Stoyan Markov.

Mr Doynov is thought to be the man most likely to succeed the Head of State, Mr Todor Zhivkov.

Air Force may fill Challenger gap

Washington (NYT) — In a major expansion of the Administration's unmanned rocket programme, the Air Force has plans to build a mid-sized rocket to lift military payloads grounded by the loss of the space shuttle Challenger.

Mr Edward Aldridge, who was appointed secretary of the Air Force two months ago, said the rocket's manufacturer would also be required to develop a commercial version of the vehicle to compete with Ariane, the European programme that launches private commercial satellites.

Air Force officials said the White House has not granted final approval for the mid-sized rocket, but there had been no major objections and the formal request for proposals from Aerospace companies was expected to be sent out in the next few weeks.

The proposed non-reusable rockets would cost tens of millions of dollars each, but would likely prove a less expensive method of launching satellites than the shuttle.

Officials said delivery of the first rockets could come in 1989 or 1990.

Meanwhile, White House officials say scepticism is growing over whether the Administration should build a replacement orbiter for the Challenger, which was destroyed with its crew of seven on January 28.

A senior Administration official, who asked not to be identified, said that despite President Reagan's general endorsement of a fourth orbiter, "we're all in a show-me attitude."

The cost of a new orbiter would be between \$2.5 and \$4 billion (£1.6 and £2.6 billion).

Messenger held for flat killing

Paris — A part-time messenger, aged 35, has been arrested in connection with the recent wave of brutal murders of old women living alone in Paris (Diana Geddes writes).

Police said that Serge Caillard had admitted stabbing to death Mme Germaine Charbonnier, aged 87, in her flat in the 15th arrondissement, after his girlfriend, who worked as a cleaner for the old woman, became suspicious about the origins of some blouses he had given her. Mme Charbonnier's body was found on June 16.

The police did not think that Caillard had anything to do with any of the other 28 murders of old ladies in their Parisian homes over the past two years.

38 suspected of Thai fire

Phuket, Thailand (AFP) — Thai authorities were preparing to charge 38 demonstrators with arson after riots on Monday against a tantalum ore processing plant on this resort island, a senior Army officer said.

The authorities also extended for at least two or three days a state of emergency proclaimed on Monday, after sections of the plant were burnt down.

Talks rejected

Seoul (Reuters) — South Korea and the US-led United Nations Command formally turned down a North Korean call for three-way defence talks.

Rome pact

Rome — The US and Italian Governments signed an agreement to co-operate in the fight against international terrorism. The US signatory was Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney-General.

Cabinet shift

Delhi (AP) — The Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, has moved Mrs Mohsina Kidwai, from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, where she was in charge of the birth control programme, and appointed her Minister of Transport. She has been replaced by Mr P.V. Narasimha Rao, who also will continue to head the Human Resources Ministry.

Typhoon hits

Taipei (AP) — Typhoon Nancy, this season's first typhoon, hit southern Taiwan, causing landslides and capsizing a fishing boat.

Churches plead for death row two

By Nicholas Beeston
The British Council of Churches yesterday intervened on behalf of a convicted British-born drug trafficker and his Australian accomplice, who could be hanged this week in Malaysia.

The Council sent cables to the King of Malaysia and the Prime Minister appealing for clemency for John Kevin Barlow, aged 29, a British-born Australian national, of Stoke-on-Trent, and Australian Brian Chambers, aged 28, who may face the gallows as early as tomorrow for smuggling heroin.

A spokesman for the British Council of Churches said the plea for mercy could be the last chance for the men on death row.

So far, petitions from the British and Australian governments for the sentences to be commuted have been turned down, and last week the

Malaysian Pardons Board flatly rejected a final appeal.

If the death sentence is carried out, the two men will be the first Westerners to be executed under Malaysia's stringent drug laws.

● KUALA LUMPUR: The mother of John Kevin Barlow has appealed to the King of Malaysia for clemency (AP reports).

The Malaysian news agency Bernama yesterday quoted an Australian High Commission spokesman here as saying: "We forwarded the letter yesterday. We do not know the contents."

Barlow and Chambers were sentenced to death by the Penang High Court last year for trafficking in 179 grams (6.26 oz) of heroin at Penang Airport on November 9, 1983.

Meanwhile, defence lawyers for the two men have appealed to the Governor of Penang



Doctors giving first aid to people injured in the bomb blast at a fast food restaurant in Johannesburg yesterday.

Armed struggle defended by ANC

By Sheila Gunn
Political Staff
Black South Africans must intensify their armed struggle against apartheid, whether or not sanctions are imposed, Mr Thabo Mbeki, director of information for the African National Congress, told MPs yesterday.

He said the banned ANC would not suspend violence without a willingness by the South African regime to dismantle apartheid. So far the measures taken by Pretoria had been cosmetic.

"Our violence is entirely the response to the situation created by South Africa. It came about because the ANC became illegal and if we want to change it we have no choice but to take up arms."

The release of Mr Nelson Mandela and other political prisoners, although an important step, would not create a democratic system of government and the freed men would simply join in the struggle, he added.

Giving evidence to the Commons' all-party Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, he warned against imposing selective sanctions.

"We are asking for comprehensive mandatory sanctions — and now — because we think sanctions work."

"We are concerned about selective sanctions. We think that is to remove from sanctions their impact because they could survive it. To do it little by little — they would have time to adapt."

He added: "It is in our interests to ensure that the South African economy is as little destroyed as possible because clearly the new South Africa must address many very serious problems of education, housing and health."

Doubts bring fall in US investment

From Michael Binyon
Washington
The United States is South Africa's largest trading partner. Last year total US investment came to \$1.3 billion (\$867 million).

There are still 260 American firms doing business in South Africa, among them the big multi-nationals such as IBM, Kodak, Ford and Dresser. But the political crisis and growing doubts over the country's future have had a

noticeable effect in the past five years.

Total American investment peaked in 1981 at \$2.6 billion — double today's figure — and is now falling rapidly. Last year 39 American firms pulled out, and another 14 have left so far this year.

But the Investor Responsibility Research Centre, a study group based here, said that all but four of the firms that have left have been the smaller companies, employing less

than 500 people. They say the general depression in South Africa is a more likely reason for their departure than political opposition to apartheid.

But banks have moved more swiftly. In 1984 only three of the top 100 American banks had tough restrictions on loans to South Africa. This year some 27 have banned investment in both the private and public sector.

The move to stop American companies doing business in

South Africa has only just begun to acquire any bite. The House of Representatives has voted for complete disinvestment, and a total trade embargo. But the measure is unlikely to be adopted by the Senate, even if it were. President Reagan would be sure to veto it.

Until recently the only domestic pressure on American firms came from dissident shareholders and universities that, under pressure from students, were beginning to sell stock in companies represented in South Africa. Indeed in some quarters companies have been applauded for staying, because of their labour and racial policies which, it is said, have encouraged the fight for equal opportunity elsewhere by blacks.

Some 166 of the 260 American firms have now signed the so-called Sullivan Principles. This labour code, named after a Presbyterian minister who suggested it, guarantees blacks in American firms equal opportunities and promotion prospects. The Principles are claimed to have encouraged black trade unionists in South Africa to agitate for better conditions in other companies in South Africa.

The Reagan Administration opposes a pull-out on the grounds that this would hurt the black population more than the whites.

British investment already cut back

By Teresa Poole
British companies are likely to find any veto on new investment in South Africa slightly ironic.

For the past few years a number of companies have been trying to limit their exposure and the level of net investment has fallen off. The fall in 1984 is likely to have been repeated last year.

Britain is the largest foreign investor in South Africa and the Department of Trade and Industry estimate of British investment at the end of 1984 was \$6 billion, split equally between direct investment by companies and portfolio holdings of shares. Bank loans were \$6.9 billion but had fallen to \$5.6 billion by the end of 1985.

According to the UK-South

Africa Trade Association, the market value of British investment at \$6 billion has almost halved since 1982 but such figures tend to be misleading.

There has certainly been some disinvestment, but the slump mainly represents the collapse in the rand which has devalued South African assets in sterling terms.

Market values have also declined in the local currency as the political situation has become more unsettled.

Britain is South Africa's third largest trading partner with \$990 million of imports. Fruit and vegetables, the main candidate for sanctions, account for £136 million, industrial raw materials for £274 million, and manufactures for £327 million.

Year	Net outward direct investment by UK companies, excluding oil companies, (DTI figures.)	
	In South Africa £m	In the world £m
1980	232.3	3390.7
1981	291.6	4571.2
1982	227.7	2396.0
1983	296.0	3312.5
1984	131.5*	5819.4

Year	Net earnings from direct investment by UK co's (excluding oil companies), (DTI figures.)	
	In South Africa £m	In the world £m
1980	421.1	2933.4
1981	464.8	3545.7
1982	411.0	3030.9
1983	527.2	4078.4
1984	462.1*	7714.5

* Including oil companies.

Terror group claims Paris bomb

From Diana Geddes
Paris
A left-wing terrorist group, Black War, has claimed responsibility for the bomb attack against the Paris offices of Rothmans, the cigarette company. No one was hurt and only minor damage caused.

In a letter addressed to Agence France Press, the group, which first appeared in December, said that the attack on Saturday was carried out in protest against "the South African interests of Rothmans and Peter Stuyvesant".

Contra head urges more covert aid

From Martha Honey, San Jose
A senior anti-Sandinista leader has called for resumption of United States covert aid to the anti-Government Contras, terming the Congressional view of the humanitarian aid question "a nightmare".

Senior Alfonso Robelo, one of the three leaders of the United Nicaraguan Opposition, denied reports that millions of dollars in humanitarian aid had been pocketed by Contra leaders or used for high living by commanders while troops in the field went

short of food, uniforms and medicines.

But he conceded that "there may have been some irregularities and we are looking into it."

He predicted that, despite recent criticism of the Contra leadership, Congress would today approve President Reagan's \$100 million (£66 million) aid package for new humanitarian and military aid.

Senior Robelo was speaking at a press conference here to announce a new unity accord

between UNO and the "Southern Opposition Bloc" (BOS), the two main Contra umbrella organizations. Senior Robelo and the BOS leader, Senior Alfredo Cesar, denied the accord was timed to coincide with the Congressional vote or was made possible by the recent resignation of Commander Eden Pastora from BOS.

Senior Pastora, who has opposed unity with UNO, retired from the guerrilla war last month.

Athens denies blocking peace with Turkey

From Mario Modiano, Athens
Greece yesterday spurned Turkish accusations that it was deliberately obstructing the resolution of problems between the two neighbours and allies.

The charges were made on Monday by Mr Turgut Ozal, the Turkish Prime Minister, who accused Greece of maintaining "sustained hostility" towards Turkey.

Mr Mitsiades Papaioannou, the Greek Government spokesman, said Athens re-

fused to open a dialogue with Mr Ozal who was making it a practice to deal with problems through interviews based on "inaccurate and groundless facts and arguments".

The Turkish Prime Minister argued that Greece had rejected all the olive branches he had extended. Instead, Greece was taking anti-Turkish positions in all international forums, he said.

Mr Papaioannou said the Greek reply was contained in the Prime Minister's speech to Parliament last December. Then, Mr Papaioannou had said Greece would have accepted gladly Turkey's olive branches if they had been sincere and meaningful.

"However, the direct, concrete, and serious threat posed by Turkey's arbitrary claims and provocations against Greece, leave no doubt about Ankara's expansionist designs."

Mr Ozal dismissed the Greek perception of a Turkish military threat as "somewhat artificial and grossly exaggerated".

£40m fraud in Rockefeller will alleged

New York (Reuters) — The last surviving granddaughter of John Rockefeller senior was the victim of a massive fraud when she granted her estimated \$60 million (£40 million) estate to her second husband, her children alleged yesterday.

The allegation was contained in court papers filed on behalf of the children of Margaret Rockefeller Strong de Cuevas de Larrain, who died last December at the age of 88. The will in question left her estate to her husband, Senior Raimundo de Larrain, a Chilean-born marquis who until recently served as cultural attaché at the Chilean Embassy in Madrid.

In 1977, at the age of 80, she married Senior de Larrain, who was 42 years old. She had previously been married to de Larrain's uncle, George de Cuevas, for 30 years.

Their daughter, Elizabeth de Cuevas, said in papers on file in Manhattan Surrogate Court that her mother had "always appeared to be heavily sedated" from shortly after her marriage to Senior de Larrain until her death.



Mr Ozal: accused Greece of "sustained hostility".

Strike at doomed French shipyard

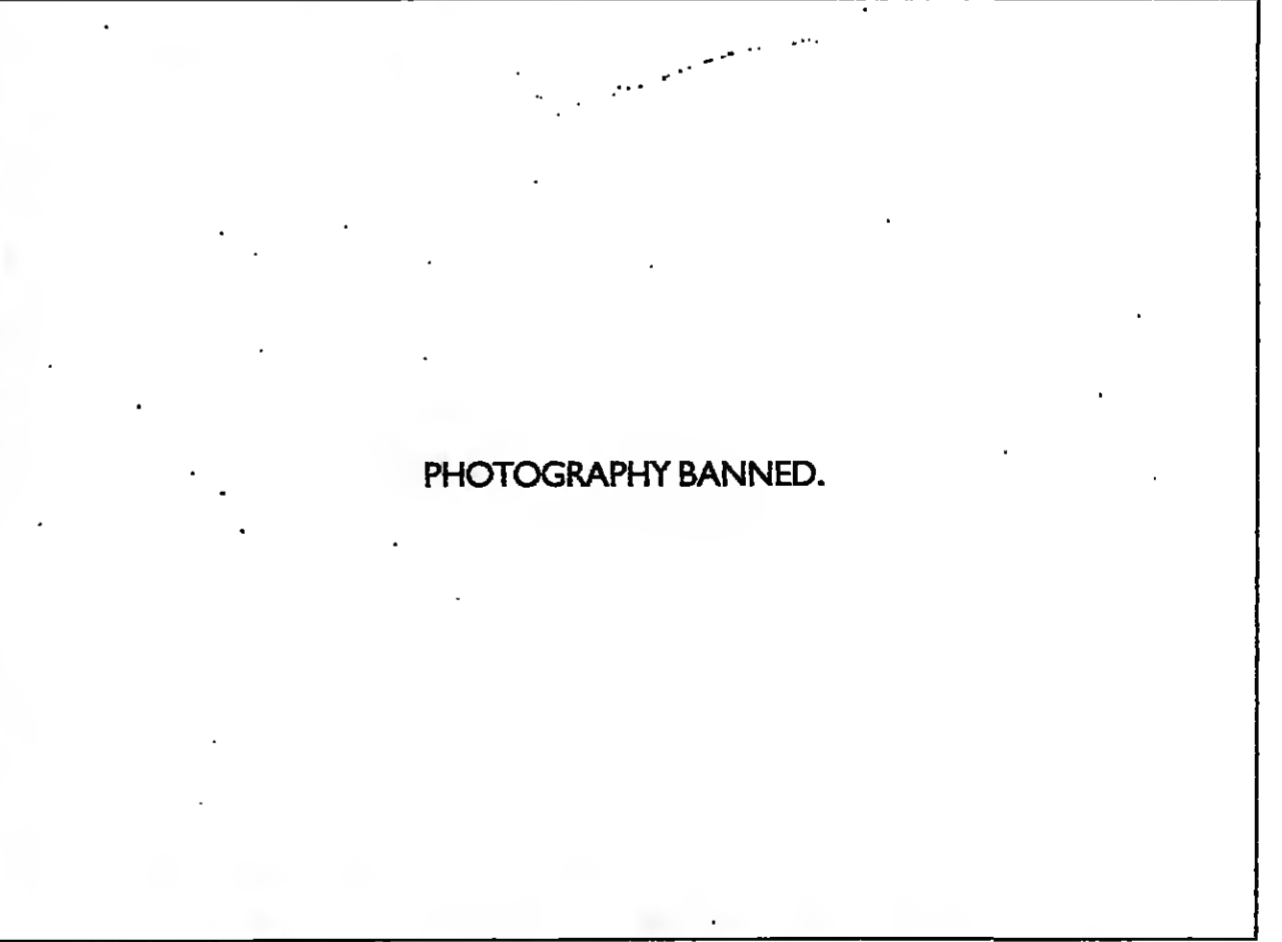
From Diana Geddes
Paris
Almost 7,000 shipbuilding workers employed by the Normed group went on a 24-hour strike yesterday to protest against the threatened closure of the group's three shipyards after the Government's announcement that it was no longer willing to bail out the company.

Normed, formed out of a merger in 1983 of shipyards at Dunkirk in the north and La Ciotat and La Seyne in the south, has been suffering both from the slump in the world market and from the fierce competition of the South Koreans and Japanese.

The company, currently receiving more than 300,000 francs (£28,000) a year per

worker in government subsidies and aid, has no more orders on its books and no money to meet its debts.

Details of a government plan to help "convert" Normed's threatened yards and to find jobs for redundant workers are expected to be announced within the next few days.



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South Africa. No news is bad news.

The bad news is that terror, suffering and destruction in the black communities grow worse by the hour;

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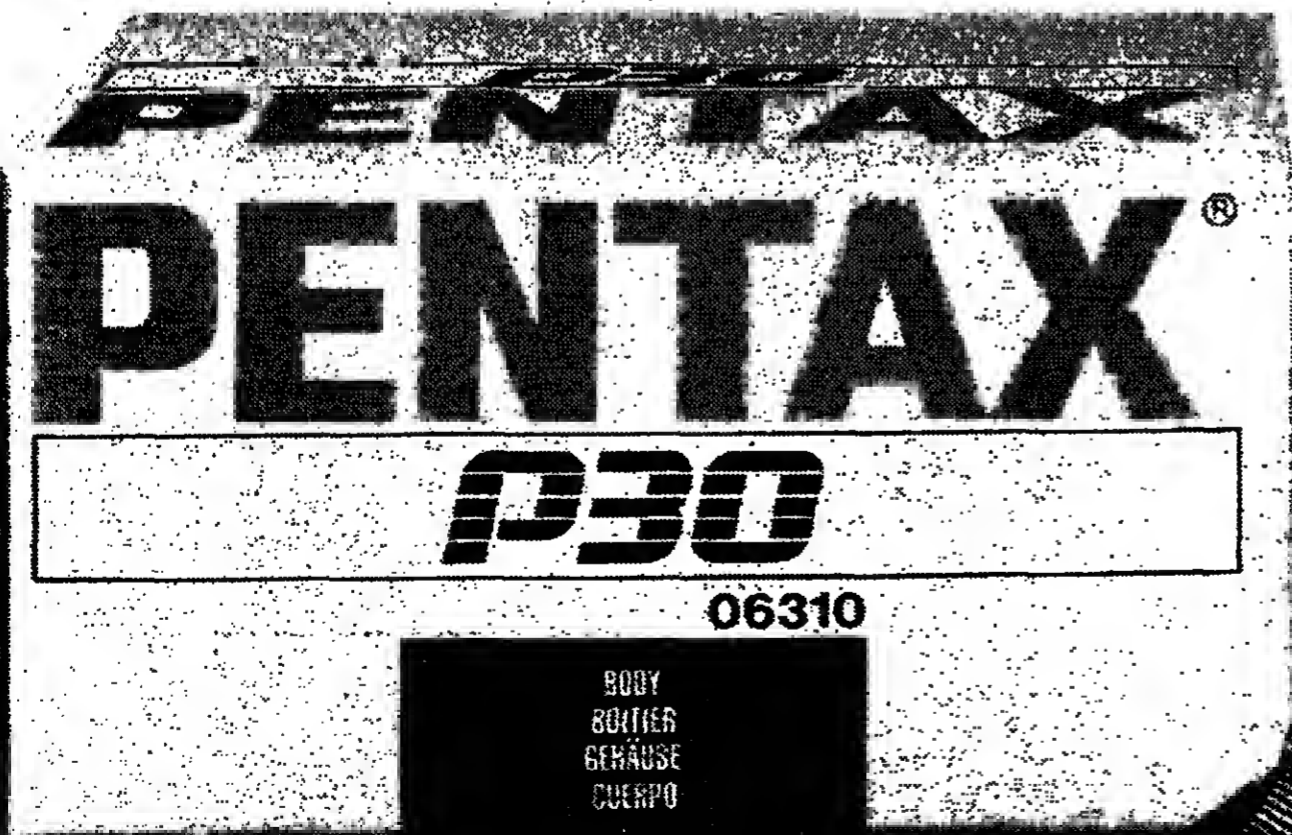
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WEDNESDAY PAGE

Anne Edwards commemorates the birth of Margaret Mitchell's definitive Southern novel

Fifty years of Scarlett fever . . .

An event occurred on June 30, 1936 that was to change the way the world perceived the American Civil War. Margaret Mitchell's epic novel, *Gone With the Wind*, was published, and Scarlett fever swept the nation, crossed the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans and then spread with epidemic intensity in all directions, finally to encircle the globe.

Margaret Mitchell's maid, Bessie, recorded that within 24 hours of publication of "Miss Peggy's book" the telephone in her Atlanta apartment rang every three minutes until midnight and about once an hour after that. The doorbell chimed at five-minute intervals throughout the day, a telegram arrived every seven minutes and a line of at least ten people kept a round-the-clock vigil at the front and back doors waiting for the author to appear and sign their books.

Peggy Mitchell had no desire for the fame that had thrust itself upon her with such staggering rapidity. She had written the novel believing that if published, it would sell no more than 5,000 copies. Professionalism, not naivete, had led her to be so conservative. *Gone With the Wind* had not been written by a retiring housewife, an amateur with time on her hands. Mitchell had for years been one of the top reporters - and a hardkilled one at that - on *The Atlanta Journal and Constitution*, the most powerful newspaper in the South, at the same time as Erskine Caldwell (the author of *Tobacco Road*) and the great sports writer Grantland Rice had been on the staff.

"The Book" (as she would eventually refer to it) had been written as an exercise, a therapy, after injuring a leg in an car accident had forced her to remain at home for lengthy periods over a number of years. The day she graduated to crutches, her husband, John Marsh, came home from work with a stack of typing paper and insisted she start work on a book to occupy her time.

"My God," she later confessed to thinking. "Now I've got to write a novel and what is it going to be about?"

The South and the Civil War, of course. Those were her areas of natural expertise. The harrowing



Georgia on her mind: Margaret Mitchell at the typewriter for a pre-publication publicity picture in 1936

days of the Civil War and how Atlanta and the folks there had suffered and survived had been drilled into her as a child. None of the happenings of the War or the Reconstruction was discussed during her childhood as having occurred forty years earlier, or even as particularly remarkable events; they were just part of her family's lives.

So much for background. The story and the characters were next. Most first novels tend to be autobiographical, and Peggy's book would be no exception. Peggy had always thought of herself as a *femme fatale*. And indeed she was a natural flirt. Her career in a business that was primarily a man's world had given a hard edge to her sense of humour and a touch of the risqué to her conversation. She possessed a rebellious streak and was proud of it.

There had also been her affection for whisky and her rather wild life during her own roaring twenties, none of which the men in her family ever allowed her to live down. Nor would the social families of Atlanta, who had excluded her from the Junior League and turned a frigid shoulder to her. And there was her first love, the charming effete (some said homosexual) Clifford Henry, who was killed during World War I and she claimed they were engaged.

The morning after her husband John Marsh had given her the literary ultimatum to "write a book", Peggy pulled on a pair of baggy overalls, plucked out her green eyeshade, piled some cushions for her leg beneath a spindly sewing table with her typewriter on it, and began *The Book*. Its story would involve four major characters, two men and two women - one of the men would be a romantic dreamer like Clifford Henry, and the other a charming hound like Red Upshaw. Of the women, one would be the essence of noble Southern womanhood, and the other, well, a fiery woman, a combination of her grandmother and herself, "with a strong dash of hussy tossed in".

She began on the last chapter of *The Book* because she always wrote her newspaper stories by beginning at the end; from the final denouement came the real thrust of the story. The first words she typed out were: "She had never understood

either of the men she loved and so she lost them both." Peggy did not know it then, but with those words, she unalterably changed the course of her life. And she began a long journey of many years and thousands of pages of writing that would finally make it difficult for her to separate reality from fiction.

With the publication of *The Book* and the immediate notoriety, Peggy panicked. There was more Peggy in Scarlett O'Hara than she cared for people to know. Worse, and more threatening, there was more Red in Rhett than was safe to expose. She had seen Red Upshaw only once since he had raped her. He had left her and gone back to his family's home in Asheville, North Carolina. Marrying John had made - what she considered - a decent woman of her. Now, her secret would be revealed.

undeniable clues - RKB (for Red, Kinnard and Berrien) on Rhett's handkerchief and Rhett's expulsion from West Point, a fact taken directly from Red's life.

She believed a lawsuit with Red would be a scandal - and she also was terrified that he would appear at her apartment. Less than an hour after Red's call, Peggy had Bessie pack a small bag and with an air of melodrama to her exit from Atlanta that rivaled Scarlett's, she got into her car and headed for the mountains - escaping, as she wrote to close friends, "the hell of fame".

She held up for several days in a hotel in Gainesville, Georgia, and then, after hearing from John that she had been invited to stay with writer Edwio Granberry and his wife (total strangers) in Blowing Rock, North Carolina, she drove home, remaining just long enough to make arrangements to go to the Granberrys. She was sure Red Upshaw would over suspect her of going, without John, to a place where everyone was a stranger to her.

Red Upshaw never did sue Peggy; nor was she to ever see him again. The interest she maintained in his whereabouts until his untimely and shocking death (a suicide leap from a hotel window in Galvesto, Texas) indicates that Peggy, like Scarlett, never really stopped loving the men she lost.

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Southern fire: Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh in the film version of 'Gone With the Wind'

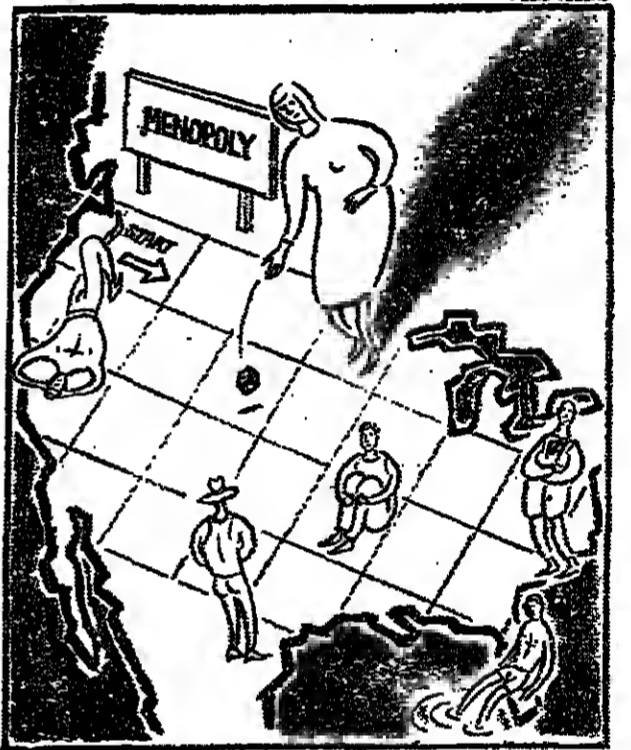
pitached said would go to hell or be hanged before they were thirty". With three years to go when she began *The Book*, he had looked doubtful now that she had settled into a second marriage to finicky, mothering, conservative John Marsh, the only person except her father and brother who knew her "terrible secret" - the scandalous truth about

Finding a mate can be murder

Whodunnit parties are the latest craze among singles seeking partners in American cities

The place is Jason's, a ritzy nightclub in a fashionable part of Boston, Massachusetts. The plot: murder. By invitation only. Armed with coffee, croissants and Filofaxes, the conspirators include several bankers, a personnel manager, a graphic designer, even an ice-skating instructor. All are willing victims of the latest craze to sweep Yuppie-dom - the murder mystery hunt.

Briefing is by a Perry Mason-style video, complete with gravelly voice-over. Then it is out into the jungle of the streets, groups clutching bundles of clues and trivia questions, setting off in the teeth of a biting New England wind.



"It certainly makes a change from cocktail parties", says organizer Rick Thayer, a 31-year-old business lawyer. "Everyone gets tired of meeting the same people and talking about the same things."

Push country house hotels have latched on to whodunnit weekends as a handy way of filling their velvet armchairs and cash tills, during the slack winter months. Now the idea has been taken up by singles groups.

The Single Life, with 3,000 members throughout New England, offers do-it-yourself hunting lodge murder dramas, orchestrated by a group called Foul Play. Just for the weekend, participants can assume the character of Claire Voyant, gypsy fortune teller, Harold American, noted author, Widow Peake, local hussybody - or the murderer.

"The big appeal is to have a purpose for the weekend, rather than just getting away for the sake of getting away", says organizer Bob Pollock, an engineer and compulsive thriller reader.

Finding new ways of socializing has become more than a simple search for novelty among the 50-million plus single people living in the United States. New York members of the Single Gourmet can break the ice with couscous one week, Peking Duck the next - and a trip to San Francisco for the summer. The Beanstalks Tall Club offers women over 5ft 10in and men over 6ft 2in the chance for conversation at eye level.

Sally Dugan

Tomorrow A fission trip among the graphite rods

An inside view
On the Books page, Peter Ackroyd reviews *End Papers*, political writings by painter and poet Breyten Breytenbach, a rare defector from the Afrikaner tribe

The sun was shining, the car park was filling fast. The children lickered ice creams as they trailled up the grassy bank towards the gate. Bouncing hostesses in Miss World-style sashes saying "Welcome to Sizewell" handed out free souvenir brooches, leaflets and lucky draw tickets to win a microwave oven.

The man in front of me warned: "You have to sign a thing to say that if you get disintegrated, they're not responsible". In fact we just strolled in. Once inside the wire, everyone chose a signposted route, passing occasionally to talk to a smiling, laid-back marshal. Considering that this was the first public opening of a British power station since the Chernobyl disaster - and the first ticketless open day at Sizewell - the atmosphere was so relaxed as to be positively soporific.

You left your bags behind, or had them searched, and the microwave rattle ruse made sure that the authorities got your name and address. It was later discovered that the number of tickets did not tally, causing a minor security alert; but otherwise, it might just as well have been a visit to a particularly sociable toffee apple factory.

I was a child in Suffolk when they were building the Sizewell power station; a teenager when, 20 years ago, the first neutrons began to make matter in the giant reactors on the beach. The region took it pretty calmly on the whole; people were a good deal saner about the defacing

FIRST PERSON Libby Purves

ing "Sizewell - Twinned with Chernobyl"; there was no demonstration, although the Stop Sizewell B Association turned up later with pungently worded leaflets.

Several hundred people were queuing. Children abounded (this was the first relaxation of the age limit of 14 and there was even a creche). Behind me, a schoolboy and his father concentrated on filling in a CEBG quiz. "Graphite rods", said the man, helplessly. "Is that the same as borons?" Then, more confidently, "Turbines. That's an ordinary turbine, basically. Like a steam engine."

In the gallery above the reactor, a child energetically waggled something labelled "Pile Cap Crane Control". It was locked. A friendly chap called Nigel chatted to a family group. "You can walk on the pile cap itself, today. Right on top of the reactor. It's normally an area where we use protective footwear, a working area, but we've cleaned it up for you. It's the first time the public have been let onto it."

Spent fuel travels on a picturesque little railway line

Down on the pile cap, a shiny black dance floor dotted with round covers representing the tops of the uranium fuel rods, a cocktail party chatter rose from the milling public. "Reactor One is on load," said a yellow sign, "producing 220mw." Toddlers slid around on the black surface. Twelve feet beneath us, hot and unimaginable things went on among the fuel-rod. "My feet sort of tingle", said a woman, doubtfully. "Psychological", snapped her husband.

Nobody seemed to be arguing or questioning anything. A genial atmosphere of incomprehension prevailed. Nuclear reactors are short on moving parts, and when there is nothing to see but control desks and shiny black floors, you might as well stroll downstairs to the turbine-house. I paused on the way to talk to a happy-looking control room supervisor who said what a treat it was to see all the kids, and to a man in his way from the Aldeburgh Festival who said he hadn't understood a word of physics at school, and still didn't. "Talk about borons", he said punningly.

Spent fuel travels in flasks along a picturesque little railway line, its destination Sellafield. On the way out, a chap was busking furiously beside a big white flask, beckoning us close like a pavement trader.

Chernobyl has changed the world forever. Someone else's familiar old landmark has killed or condemned thousands, and poisoned the land for centuries. On the morning of the Sizewell open day, the papers carried the news about the Cumbrian lambs contaminated from a nuclear power station on the other side of Europe. So it seemed irresistible to take up the advertised invitation to visit one a mere four miles from home.

As I came to the humming concrete wilderness of Sizewell, there was nothing to raise anxiety; alert representatives of the Central Electricity Generating Board had removed the witty placard say-

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"See this? Two hundred spent fuel rods inside it, and look at the reading on my meter - under 200. Now look at this - my watch - 500 measures! Perfectly ordinary watch! Now, this old gas mantle - look - 500 again.

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Just interested

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Deflated

Yet another brave group of tourists has just safely completed a visit to radioactive, terror-ridden Britain...

Vandalized

Oliver Tambo must regard this as the unacceptably face of Britain. It is the glass fibre bust of Nelson Mandela...

The only Tory MP to feature in the latest Penguin book on trivial pursuits is Richard Needham...

Batman

Despite its exhortations to reduce the level of pay increases, the government is setting the worst possible example...

Inflation's sharp decline to 3 per cent (with every prospect that it will go lower) and high unemployment...

Over to you I see that Mick Thornton, a Coventry cricketer, scored 38 runs off a single over at the weekend...

As the White House takes its toughest stand yet, Tom Bethell talks to the man masterminding the new anti-Sandinista campaign



The Contras' target: Sandinista militiamen on guard in Managua. President Reagan, warning of a new Cuba on the US doorstep, wants them to have huge new aid for arms and supplies...

Elliott Abrams, the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, is not the customary Republican appointee to a State Department job...

Devoid of philosophy and glancingly acquainted with the history of East-West diplomacy, this diplomatic apprentice will readily take direction from Foreign Service officers armed with their own agenda of prejudices...

Abrams, however, though he has a law degree, is a different kind of political animal in almost all other respects. He is one of an influential group of Americans, mostly Jewish, mostly intellectuals...

And it is true that this new breed - veterans of ideological struggles with the left from their Democrat party days - takes a sharper view of the importance of ideology as a force in international affairs...

Thirty-eight years old, Abrams is, so to speak, the leading young neoconservative, sometimes spoken of as a future Secretary of State...

Reagan's Contra crusader

Faraway communism remains for many a potent faith, especially for those who have lost an earlier faith...

Now, with US aid to the Nicaraguan Contras currently dividing Washington, Abrams, whose State Department responsibilities include Nicaragua, is a key man in a key position...

This week two versions of the bill will be put to a vote. One, supported by the Democrats - and sure to pass, if the other fails - would provide humanitarian aid to the Contras immediately but would postpone further military assistance until a second vote in October...

Not surprisingly, Abrams responded enthusiastically to President Reagan's televised address yesterday, declaring: 'The President has drawn the issue squarely - it is that the Soviets are attempting to create a new Cuba...'

None the less, Washington remains split. Before the March vote lobbying in the halls of Congress was almost wholly hostile to the Contras. Political priests roamed the corridors of Congress with their flocks behind them...

the world. I would ask Europeans to consider the implications if this region became unstable and we had to worry about our southern border...

Not that European criticism is likely to be a major influence on today's House vote. Abrams points out that European criticism of the US aid to Libya has reduced both congressional and popular sensitivity to other criticisms from America's Nato allies...

Indeed, neoconservative commentator Irving Kristol responded to European criticism of the Libya raid by arguing that the US should renegotiate the Nato treaty...

Asked about this, Abrams said he didn't agree with Kristol on Nato. But, he added: 'If Americans come to the conclusion that Europeans do not want our defence, or worse, want it but don't want to give us anything in exchange...

As for the 'liberal internationalist' vision of the world which has dominated western diplomacy since the Second World War, Abrams said the idea that all people in the world have 'certain inalienable rights' is doing well...

He noted, finally, that in the Carter Administration the idea of national interest, that the country had to protect itself, seemed anachronistic...

Lawson's public pay trap

David Smith shows how attempts to buy off the unions could boomerang

they won rises of between 6.7 and 12 per cent with an average of around 8 per cent, which is generally credited with ratcheting up the level of public sector increases...

Last month the local authorities were on the verge of striking a deal with the manual workers for more than 6 per cent, until persuaded by the government to put it off until lower inflation, falling mortgage rates and the Budget tax cuts made themselves felt...

The government's message to the local authorities is that one man's pay increase means another man's rate rise. In other words, local authorities will not get the cash from central government to finance excessive awards...

In the government's approach to pay awards in the public sector, there is an element of putting off the evil day. In the case of the

recent pay review awards to doctors, nurses, senior civil servants and the armed forces, the government delayed implementation from April 1 to July 1...

The increases were recommended to be 6.5 per cent for top civil servants and judges, 7.5 per cent for the armed forces, 7.6 per cent for doctors and dentists and 7.8 per cent for nurses...

These awards underline the government's problem. The rises were delayed and in two cases scaled down, and although an extra £60 million had to be found out of reserves for the health awards, the impression left was of penny-pinching...

PUBLIC SECTOR PAY AWARDS

Table with 4 columns: Date, Number of workers, Increase%, and Notes. Rows include September 1985 (904,000 local authority manuals, 8.7-12%), November 1985 (40,000 firemen, 7.2%), January 1986 (35,000 gas supply workers, 8%), January 1986 (7,000 airport workers, 8%), January 1986 (68,000 British Steel employees, 7%), February 1986 (61,000 local authority builders, 6%), April 1986 (497,000 civil service staff, 5(+22)), April 1986 (415,000 teachers Eng & Wales, 1.8+5.5% (interim)), April 1986 (55,000 teachers, Scotland, 5.5% (interim)), April 1986 (78,000 electricity supply, 6.5%), April 1986 (120,000 British Rail, 5.7%), July 1986 (111,000 doctors and dentists, 7.5 actual), July 1986 (488,000 nurses and midwives, 5.9 (7.8 actual)).

†NUM offer withdrawn +3% consolidated Source: CBI, Laing & Cruickshank.

Henry Plumb

EEC exercise in democracy

A lot of rubbish is being talked about the Single European Act. The anti-EEC lobby has been trying to present it as a giant step towards a European super-state...

The act, agreed by all member state governments at the end of last year, including our own, is a small but significant step in the direction of British objectives in the European Community...

With the UK taking over the presidency of the Council of Ministers in a few days time, the British government's role is now crucial in the process of making the Community efficient, creative and, above all, accountable to the people of Europe...

The act makes minor but essential logical changes to the Treaty of Rome: the references to the 'European Assembly' are changed to read 'European Parliament'...

Ordinary voters have never had much democratic control over the EEC, and not just over the EEC. The sheer volume and complexity of UK and EEC legislation now means that more and more political decisions are being taken by civil servants or ministerial aides...

MEPs do not have much political power, that is certain. It is not properly realized that the European Parliament is denied the chance of exercising real budgetary control over the surplus-creating common agricultural policy...

Sir Henry Plumb is chairman of the European Democratic Group in the European Parliament.

moreover... Miles Kington

They'll never walk alone

Now that England are out of the World Cup, perhaps we can devote all our energy to that wedding. Which wedding? Oh, that wedding. Yes, let's do that - at least we know that England has provided both finalists...

So to mark the approach of this momentous occasion, moreover will be printing a daily diary of some of the more exciting things that are happening round the world as this vital fixture draws near...

The furthest flung couple hoping to attend the wedding are Mr and Mrs Mashamoto of Japan, who are simple workers in an electronics factory, which they own. He intends to wear a plain blue, classically cut pinstripe suit...

'If that is so,' admits Mashamoto, 'we may well stay in Japan and watch it on TV. But don't worry; we will send the money to the British tourist industry by post.'

Biggest surprise at the wedding? Undoubtedly the little treat that Prince Andrew's navy colleagues are planning for him. Unbeknown to the Falklands hero, his fellow pilots are planning to man a flight of ten helicopters which will arrive at Westminster just after the service has started...

total responsibility for these decisions, or lack of decisions, despite the Parliament's frequent petition for a measure of co-responsibility. We should not be too surprised that the CAP seems incapable of genuine reform...

From July Britain stands a good chance of making a success of a range of important issues, such as making savings in the CAP, devoting more money and supplies to the developing countries...

The Single Act, if ratified by all governments by the end of the year, will certainly herald a transfer of sovereignty. Not a transfer from the national to the Community legislative structure, but a transfer from government and Commission civil servants to the democratically elected representatives of the people...

We in Britain must learn to realize that the political scene has changed enormously in the last 20 years. The quasi-government that has grown up in Brussels must be controlled by our democratically elected representatives...

Such a creation would presumably be made behind closed doors, in secrecy, doubtless on the basis of 12 identical government briefs, and without a restraining trace of the parliamentary democracy that is the quintessential hallmark of British political traditions...

The Single Act, therefore, is a tiny step, grudgingly granted by the 'super-ministers', towards giving more power to the people and more chance for a strong and fair European Community which acts in the interests of all.

Sir Henry Plumb is chairman of the European Democratic Group in the European Parliament.

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Westminster's other great talking shop

There is nothing new in the idea of any Government holding meetings. Indeed, it seems that the frequency with which government departments need to confer is increasing.

These conferences may involve several departments or representatives of other governments, but whatever their nature, any administration needs a venue where such conferences can be held.

By the early 1970s, it was becoming apparent that the facilities available to Whitehall and Westminster had significant limitations. A new building was needed. The result of that decision, the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, is now a reality.

The original brief called for a building with modern facilities, appropriate to a visiting head of state, three conference rooms with full security and all the support services necessary for a government conference.

The brief was handed to the architects, Powell Moya and Partners, in 1975. By April 1982, Bovis Construction had been appointed management contractors and building work had begun. Just over two years later, the whole project was reviewed.

Having been conceived as a Government-sponsored building it was intended that it would be for use only by the Government. Inevitably, this means that the considerable costs of running the building would have to be met from government funds. As costs rose, this became an unacceptable burden so ways to reduce the operating deficit had to be found.

Such a development is far from unusual. There have been many other buildings designed to be funded from taxes or rates where a means has had to be found to reduce the annual deficit. The Government appears to have come to the same conclusion as

The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre — purpose-built yet versatile — was opened in Westminster yesterday by the Queen

many others and recognized that there is a demand for conference space that can be used by companies and associations.

As a result, a firm of consultants was called in to assess the likelihood of letting the building for use by outside organizations. At the same time, they were asked to identify changes that would need to be made and estimate what revenue would be gained from such lettings.

In adopting the recommendations in that report, the Government accepted that changes had to be made to the building. Government conferences tend to be very different in character from those staged by companies and associations. These organizations are likely to use audio-visual aids, whereas politicians and civil servants seem content to rely entirely on the spoken word.

Similarly, exhibitions are often an integral part of association and corporate meetings yet are almost entirely absent from government conferences. These were the main areas to which changes had to be made, although there were others, such as the size of the area to be made available for catering.

In general terms, the differing requirements of the commercial market seem to have been accommodated, although some aspects of the design still show the original brief.

In the main meeting room, the Churchill Auditorium, it is not possible for a speaker to leave the stage unseen by the audience. The only way to

leave the stage is by walking through the auditorium. Chief executives of companies often prefer to leave unseen while their conference is still going on.

The stage itself is small by modern standards, but can be expanded fairly easily. Even so, this means that the room is more suitable for simple business or association meetings rather than for full-blown product launches.

The same is true of the other meeting rooms that will be available for hire. The Whittle and Fleming rooms on the third floor are big and have booths for simultaneous interpretation. All of these rooms are comfortable and their character should help meetings organizers, provided they can be totally blacked-out.

Overall, the architects appear to have been able to accommodate the new demands with a reasonable degree of success.

Ken Clayton



Born out of the need for government conference facilities, the completed centre will cater for outside organizations too

Capital idea: Built only for meetings

The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre is entering a very competitive market. The number of buildings within Europe being offered for hire by conference organizers increases every year. Even so, the centre is unusual.

The majority of buildings and rooms that are available for meetings are also used for other purposes. Most of the latest, so-called conference centres, have been designed as multi-purpose venues.

Hotel function rooms are also used for a wide variety of events. The Queen Elizabeth centre is being sold for meetings and nothing else.

The advantage of a dedicated centre for the conference organizer is that the staff should have a better understanding of his or her needs. There should also be less risk of a conference being disturbed by other functions.

But there is one question that will undoubtedly concern meeting organizers. Because the centre is run by the Government, there could be a risk of conflict of interest. Will a conference be cancelled because of a government meeting?

Those responsible for selling the centre are adamant this will never happen. Government departments will have to book the facilities in exactly

the same way as a company or association. If the room is already booked, the Government will have to go elsewhere.

There is one part of the building that will never be available to outside organizations. The Mountbatten Suite on the top floor of the buildings is reserved for major, government-hosted meetings. The casual visitor is not even allowed to see this room, since it is the most secure in the centre.

For the immediate future, however, the sales potential for the centre looks good, given some reservations. The most significant of these is the fact that there are windows in each of the conference rooms. The design team judged windowless conference rooms to be depressing and so they decided to give each room a view.

From the point of view of an organizer of a conference that uses audio visual aids, that aim is acceptable only if the windows can be completely blacked out.

The Churchill Auditorium, which is the main conference room, has a slightly sloping floor and can accommodate up to 750 people, theatre style. The Fleming and Whittle Rooms on the third level, both

have flat floors. The Fleming has a stated capacity of 750 people while the Whittle can accommodate 450, both theatre style.

Organizers of association meetings will appreciate the considerable number of smaller rooms. They are also likely to approve of the remarkable facilities for simultaneous interpretation in all three main meeting rooms.

Question-and-answer sessions can be handled easily because of the sound system that was designed specifically for the centre. This involves a computer which registers the name of anyone wishing to speak from the floor. A chairman can have a monitor and can use it to select the next person to speak.

Microphones can be plugged into permanent sockets around all of the rooms. Alternatively, desks which contain wiring for microphones can be fitted in the rooms, although this will obviously reduce the capacities.

Much of the technology is yet to be proved under full conference conditions, but it does appear to have been well designed for the average business or association meeting.

The same is true of the catering. Pru Leith's company has been brought in to provide catering in the Queen Elizabeth II Centre. At a conference for 150 people, the standard of the food was excellent, even though the organizer had chosen the cheapest menu.

Pru Leith herself is confident that this quality can be maintained even when catering has to be provided for 700, although the organizer will have to accept her advice on the menu.

The centre should be a success. The facilities will be equal to or better than those in most other conference centres. Its position in central London will make it attractive to many organizers. Bookings are already claimed to be "very healthy".

All of which is good news for the capital, which needs even more good conference facilities.

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How security keeps out the coffee-break spies

Security is becoming increasingly important to the organizers of a wide variety of conferences. Companies need to know that confidential information revealed in a meeting will not be seen by outsiders and many organizations want the reassurance of knowing that their speakers and guests will be safe at a conference.

The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre is well-equipped to provide reassurance on both of these aspects.

Many facets of the design of the building will never be publicly revealed, but those responsible for selling it are confident that it is one of the safest buildings in Europe.

The ordinary delegate attending a conference enters by the main entrance and is immediately confronted by the security screen. This involves four body scanners of the type now familiar in airports and an X-ray scanner for brief cases.

The screen should mean that the only people inside the building, are those entitled to be there, thus avoiding the situation of a company finding that its business meeting has been attended by its competitors, masquerading as genuine delegates.

Many companies have experienced this problem, particularly in buildings where the coffee area is accessible to outsiders. A competitor mingles with the delegates during a coffee break and simply goes into the conference room with them.

But organizers still face the problem of a dealer, for example, being accompanied by a competitor. This may sound unlikely but it does happen and the only defence an organizer has is to demand positive identification from each delegate.

From the point of view of an organizer who wants to be sure that the information provided in a confer-

ence remains confidential, however, the greatest advantage of the centre is that the public is excluded.

Most conference venues today have public areas and in many instances, a determined intruder can pass from there to a position where everything said in the conference can be heard.

Within the Queen Elizabeth centre, however, this should not be possible, first because no-one should be able to enter the building without the proper authorization. Beyond that, each of the rooms has a limited number of entrances and these should be easily controllable if necessary.

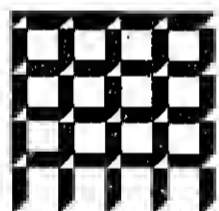
VIP guests or speakers have a separate entrance at the side of the building or can be brought from the underground car park into the VIP lounge area. There can be many reasons that a speaker will prefer to avoid entering the building through the same doors as the audience.

Often, this will involve a long journey through kitchens and back corridors.

Within the conference rooms, simultaneous interpretation services are provided by a system that is permanently wired into the building. By avoiding radio-operated systems, the risk of the programme being picked up outside the building is eliminated.

With total security provided on a day-to-day basis, it seems likely that the centre will be attractive to a variety of companies. Computer and pharmaceutical companies seem to be particularly keen on secure conference venues.

It could be that the security of the building, which was demanded for Government meetings, will also provide the major selling point for the centre.

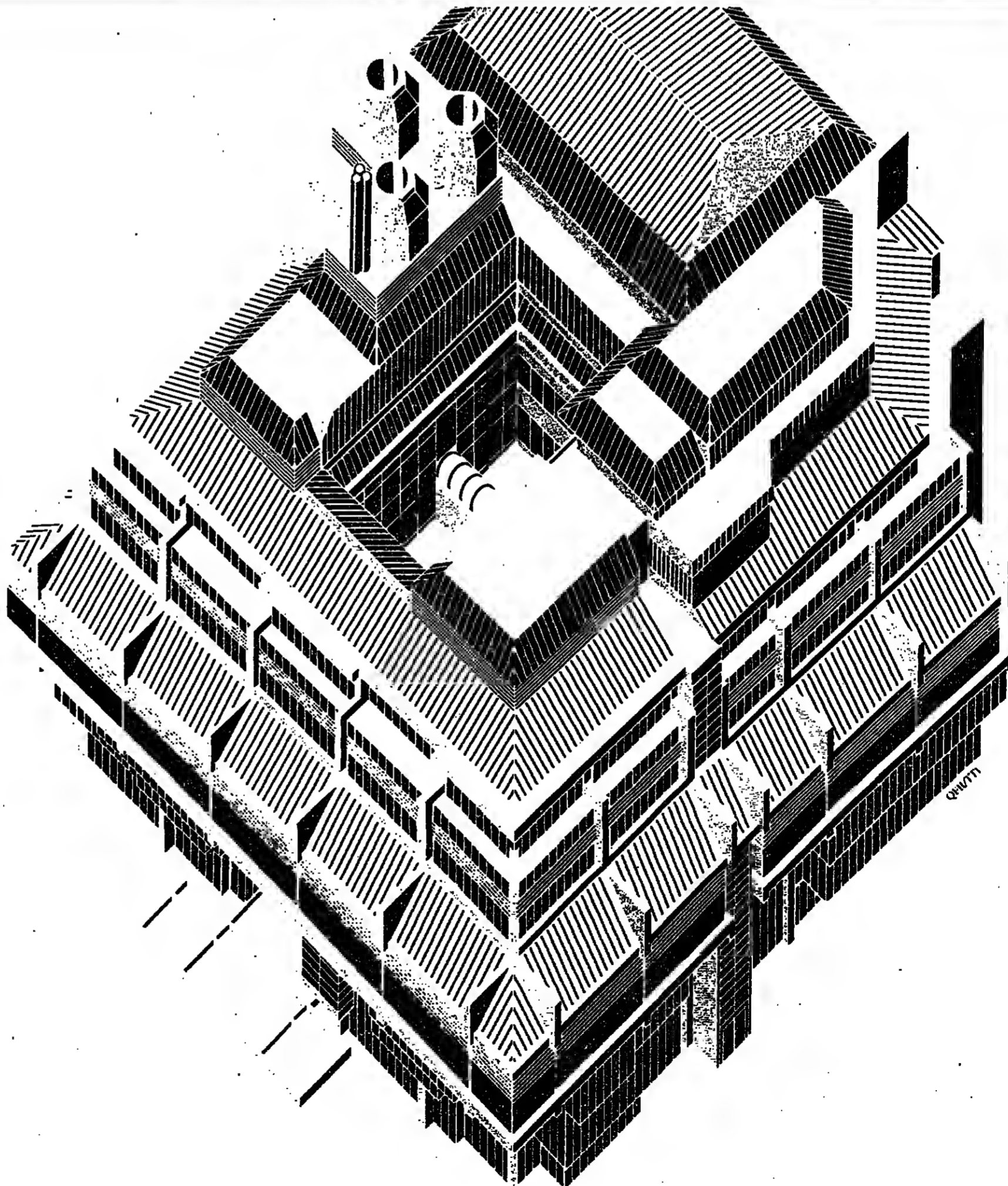


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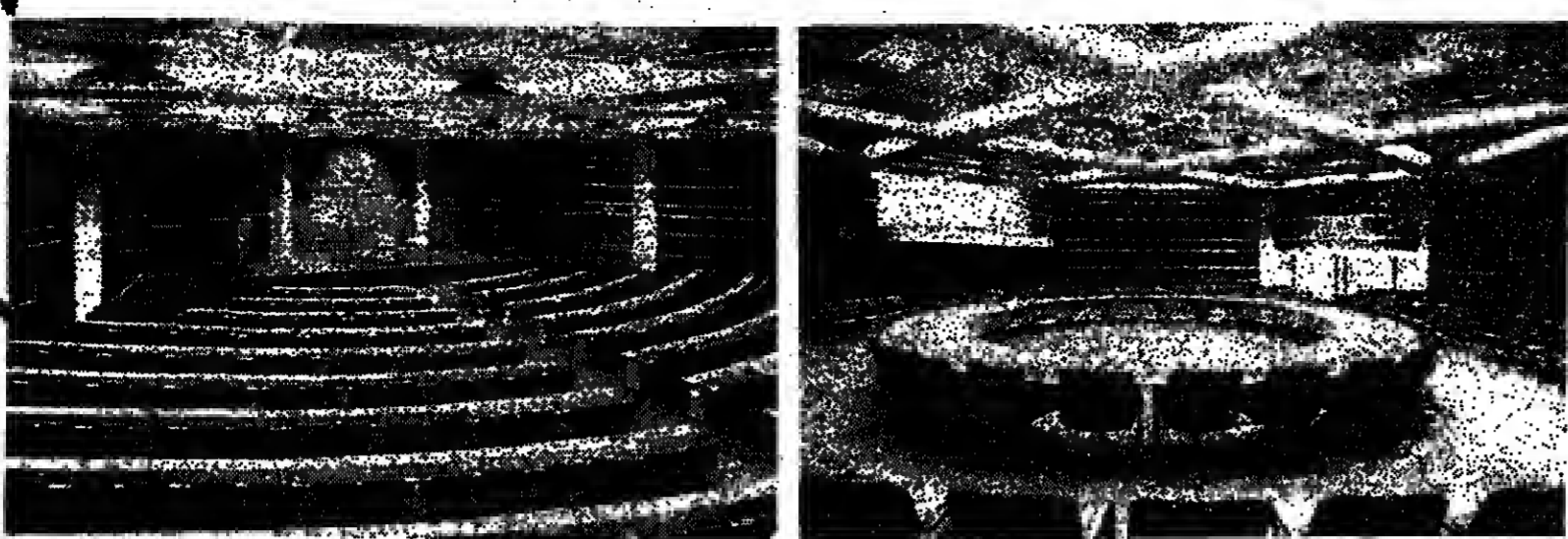
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Two of the centre's meeting rooms. One of its first uses will be for the UK presidency of the EEC in the second half of this year

A comfort and splendour rarely seen

Those fortunate enough to be using the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre on July 23 will have a grandstand view of the coming and goings beneath Hawksmoor's West Towers of Westminster Abbey, when Prince Andrew is married to Sarah Ferguson.

They will, however, turn their backs on the main facilities, a high-security meeting place for EEC and other government ministers and prestige private conferences, which is its primary purpose.

The building completes a new Sanctuary Square, which almost works as a concept, despite the scythe of Victoria Street running into Broad Sanctuary and Parliament Square, which prevents its use as a significant urban space. The centre fills a gap left vacant for 50 years since Westminster Hospital moved to two large blocks in Horseferry Road.

The City of Westminster's latest landmark is, in many ways, a building of contrast. Its huge bulk in concrete, glass and lead is played down with traditional English reticence, while simultaneously asserting itself by making few concessions to its nearest neighbours: the Abbey, and neo-gothic Sanctuary Buildings by George Gilbert Scott; the stalwart Methodist Central

Hall in the French baroque style (although constructed in reinforced concrete, it is clad in stone); and the more delicate presence of Middlesex Guildhall of the same period, in art-nouveau gothic.

As Gordon Cullen writes in the current issue of *The Architectural Review*, "the background music that echoes



Sir Philip Powell: Designer who kept his nerve in a post-modernist atmosphere

solemnly around us - Pomp Circumstance Patri and The Last Post - is enough to turn the milk in a young mother's breast. To one's surprise and relief the new building displays an intelligent originality of spirit, a refusal to be hypnotized by circumstance.

"Turning to the building

itself, the *Piano Nobile* is raised to a commanding height (the cornice line of its neighbours) and projects out into the theatre of action. It is playful and gains in lightness by appearing to be carried by elegant suspension rods from the main structure. It is a pavilion from which to observe the fluctuating game of pageantry."

Powell Moya and Partners were the designers, headed by Sir Philip Powell. The architects kept their nerve while many contemporaries have been losing theirs to hi-tech or post-modernist fashions.

The practice was formed when it won the international competition to design Churchill Gardens, the 33-acre housing estate in Piccadilly immediately after the Second World War.

Delegates, conference administrators and the press will be accommodated in a series of generous, flowing spaces, perhaps unequalled since the competition of the Royal Festival Hall on the South Bank.

Though exposed concrete is used extensively inside, finished in tooled granite aggregate, milk white and flecked with silver and grey, it is softened everywhere by selected views out - for example, of the Abbey and Square from the Benjamin Britten lounge,

and of the Big Ben clock tower from the restaurant.

The standard of detailing, particularly the joinery, is impressively high and a neutral background of walls, ceilings and carpeted floors gives prominence to special lighting effects and a substantial display of contemporary works of British Art and Craft.



Bernard Throp of Powell Moya and Partners: Project architect

The insertion of single windows in the main conference halls, to provide a visual link with the outside world, can have a curious effect on some people by brightening rather than lessening the feeling of claustrophobia the architects so wanted to avoid.

Half of the building caps a

massive basement, a remnant of the cancelled Colonial Office of the 1950s, which houses a government telephone exchange, so that there are really two structures which float independently on their respective foundations.

The 800 or so rooms which make up the centre are centred on the third-floor main conference level. Here there are the four main meeting places, equipped with simultaneous translation facilities, and a delegates' foyer, which oversees the Churchill Auditorium on the ground and first floors refectory, lounges and press centre.

Above the third floor are the Mountbatten Secretariat and top-security Mountbatten Room on the sixth floor. Beneath them all in the basements are TV and radio studios, workshops, stores and a car park.

Security arrangements became a top priority long after the original designs were drawn up, but for the most part they are dealt with by judicious planning and the detailed specification of reinforced concrete and blast-proof plate glass.

Security remains nonobtrusive to allow delegates to get on with the main business in the level of comfort and splendour rarely affordable in Britain today.

Discussions commenced during the early stages of design. Powell Moya and Partners, the architects, put forward various aims and ideas to the Government's Property Services Agency, who invited Dr Wendy Baron, curator of the Government Art Collection (GAC), to collaborate on the venture.

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With the architects, the PSA project manager and Dr Baron, the panel selected work with outside help from, among others, Lesley Greene of the Public Art Development Trust, Isobel Johnstone of the Arts Council of Great Britain and Tony Ford of the Crafts Council.

"Excellence of its kind" was the only common denominat-

A miniature gallery of British creativity

For Augustus Welby Pugin, who collaborated with Charles Barry on the rebuilding of the Palace of Westminster after its predecessor was destroyed by fire in 1834, architecture was "decorated construction". This sentiment is not evident in the design of the nearby conference centre, whose architects have chosen instead to fill the interior with various examples of contemporary British arts and crafts.

Many countries now have legislation requiring these commissioning buildings to devote one per cent of the construction cost to works of art that will delight its users.

Art and Architecture, which is lobbying for such a system here, held a conference on the subject at the Royal Institute of British Architects last month.

However, ministerial and Treasury budget controls are not quite so generous as one might hope. But through a combination of commissions and loans, the centre is a miniature gallery in itself, with more than 200 works by British artists of the post-1945 generation already on display or proposed.

British manufacturers and suppliers have lited out the place from top to bottom through a policy of positive discrimination exercised by the Crown Suppliers.

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ing factor for the final selection.

Pride of place has been given to a Paolozzi carved wood bas-relief on the west wall of the Benjamin Britten Lounge, prompted by musical themes and Britten's music in particular.

Other commission work includes a sand-blasted Royal Coat of Arms and royal crowns on the glass by the main entrance, by Roman Hafer, lettering by Richard Kinderley to commemorate the opening of the building by the Queen yesterday and a silk mosaic wall-hanging, by Lucienne Day, which hangs in the west foyer.

Peter Collingwood made a

macro-gauze wall-hanging to be suspended above the conference-suite entrance.

On a lighter note, Barry Fantoni, *The Times* Diary cartoonist, has depicted conference delegates of many nationalities on a laminated wall-filing on the lift landing to the second-floor refectory. One hopes they will share his sense of humour.

Furniture craftsmanship is well-represented by a suite of dining-room furniture by David Field, in the Abbey Room on the third-floor mezzanine, which was selected as a result of a design competition. Coiled stoneware pots, by Jennifer Jones, decorate the fourth-floor courtyards, and a sculpted head of Mountbatten in the fifth-floor delegates lounge is by Franta Belcik.

About 100 works have also been acquired, from drawings by Deanna Fetherbridge, Anthony Caro and Stephen Fathing, to a sculpture by William Pye, prints by How-

ard Hodgkin and Victor Pasmore, as well as folios produced by the Royal College of Art, the Slade School and the Contemporary Art Society.

The programme for loans has two main objectives: to supplement and complement the purchases by providing a fuller range of art in view, including work by particular artists beyond the centre's arts budget; and to introduce a measure of flexibility into the overall scheme because many of the loans will be for a fixed period and subject to rotation with other work.

Detailed discussions are still underway with the Tate, the Arts Council and the Henry Moore Foundation, as well as other public and private sources. The GAC is to lead a number of drawings, paintings, sculpture, prints and photographs. The Tate is also lending a study of a pacing lion by Landseer for the main entrance foyer.

The Crown Suppliers claim that the centre is a showcase of British enterprise and quality in its furniture and fittings, provided at a cost of just over £5 million.

The venue has more than 250,000 square feet of carpets and other floor coverings, 400-plus office "workstations" (they used to be called desks), 200 wall clocks, 13,000 pieces of bone china tableware (excluding the VIP dining room), nearly 4,000 conference chairs, 100 lounge blinds and 287 pedestal ashtrays.

The conference tabling is quite original. Dozens of different configurations are possible using the 594 units in seven shapes. Every piece has built-in wiring for simultaneous translation - and folds flat for storage. They were made by Marriott Office Furniture in English ash with dark-green hide inlays.

Anglepoise desk lamps, David Mellor cutlery, Dexion racking, Gent clocks, Remply laboratory benches, Royal Donlton tableware and Wilton carpets were among more than 40 sub-contracted items. Laid end to end, so to speak, it took six days a week for 14 weeks to move everything in, presenting a massive logistical exercise.

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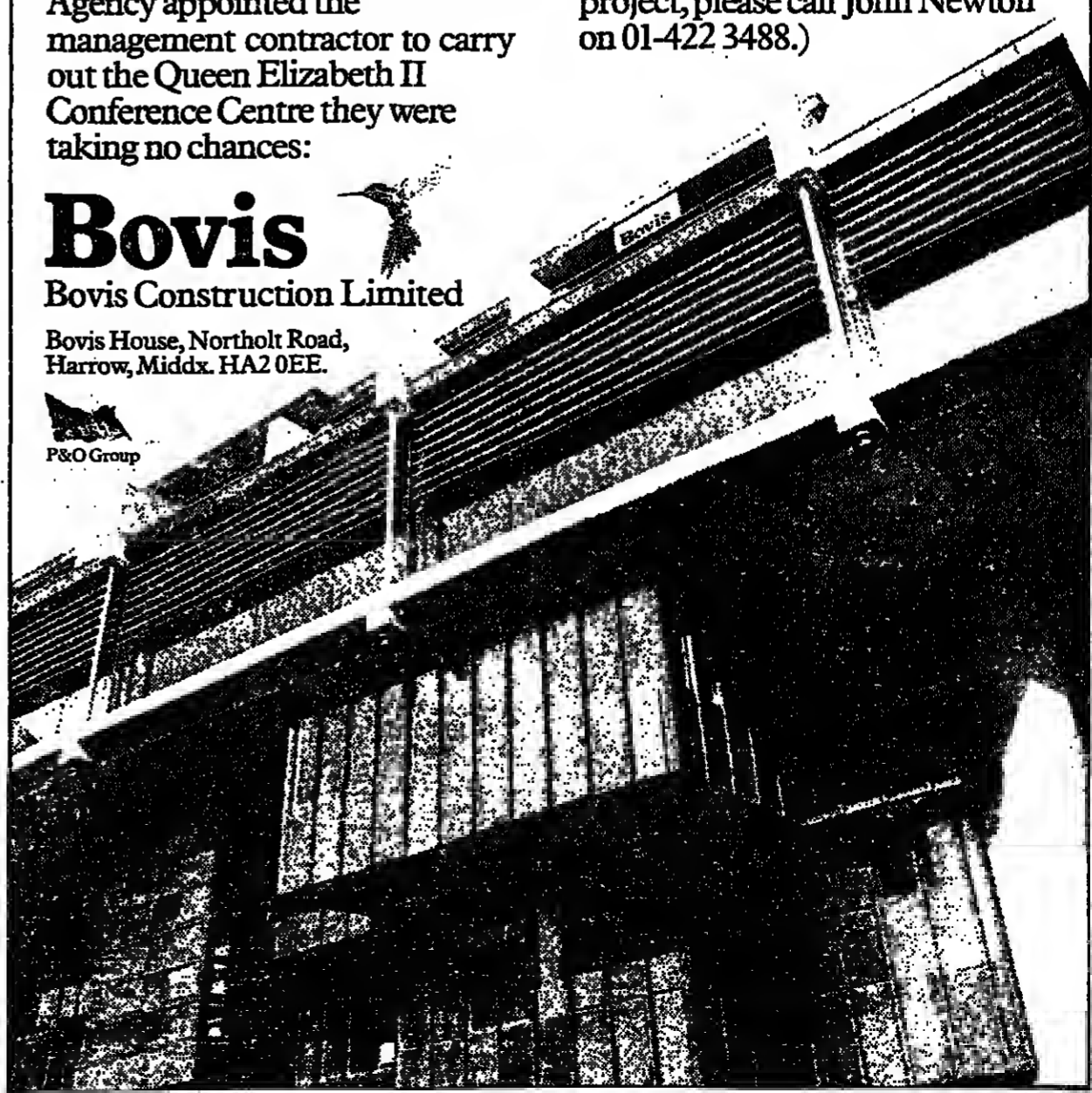
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BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 26 The Right Hon Sir William Heseltine had an audience of the Queen this morning when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

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The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were received by Her Majesty's Lord Chamberlain at the Greater London (Field Marshal Sir Edwin Bramall) and the Lord Mayor of Westminster (Councillor Mrs Anne Mallinson).

YORK HOUSE

June 24 The Duke of Kent this evening attended a Reception at Lancaster House given by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs.

CLARENCE HOUSE

June 24: Ruth Lady Fernoy has succeeded Lady Elizabeth Basset as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE

June 24: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, this morning visited Thame Hospital to open the new Day Hospital.

KENSINGTON PALACE

June 24: The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, The British Medical Society, today received the "Reconocimiento Nacional 19

Memorial service

Lady Renton The Lord Chancellor was represented by the Hon Mary Hogg at a memorial service for Lady Renton held in the Crypt Chapel of the Palace of Westminster yesterday. The Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House of Lords and Viscountess Whitelaw and the Speaker attended.

Archaeology

Monastery remains found

The remains of a monastery belonging to England's only indigenous order have been discovered in York. The cloister, residential buildings and cemetery have been uncovered beneath a modern glass factory.

Appointments

The following to be new members of the Secondary Examinations Council: Mr J. Hunt and Lady Rowena Montagu Stuart Wortley.

Merton College Oxford

Merton College is in the process of bringing up to date the Register of Members, last published in 1964. Questionnaires and copies of the annual Record have recently been sent to all members whose addresses are known.

Correction

A. W. Friedlein, who has won an entrance scholarship to Uppingham School, attended Holmwood House, Lexden, Essex, not Holmwood House, as stated on page 10.

OBITUARY

DR GODFREY ALLEN Preservation of St Paul's Cathedral

Dr Godfrey Allen, Surveyor to the Fabric of St Paul's Cathedral from 1931 to 1956, died recently. A friend writes: Godfrey Allen devoted many years of patient attention, skill and foresight to the preservation of St Paul's Cathedral.

DR R. L. WATERFIELD

Dr Reginald Lawson Waterfield, an internationally known astronomer, died on June 10, aged 85. A remarkable man of great spirit, he contracted poliomyelitis at the end of the Second World War which left him a paraplegic for the last 41 years of his life.

RIGHT REV E. B. HENDERSON

Admiral Sir William Davis played. His influence was most marked. He was quite without fear and on more than one occasion I told him to take cover when we were receiving the full attention of German shore artillery and aircraft.

MR W. H. WEBSTER

Mr W. H. Webster, CBE, President of the MCC in 1977, died on June 19 after a long illness. "Tagge" Webster, who was educated at Highgate School and Pembroke College, Cambridge, gained most renown as a footballer playing inside forward for Cambridge University, The Corinthians and England.

SIR KENNETH WOOD

Peter J. Schryver writes: As an old colleague of Sir Kenneth Wood I have been asked to point out certain inaccuracies in your obituary notice. He has been no structural failure of a Bison building, and in every case there was full linkage between floors and structural walls.

Receptions

National Association for Material and Child Welfare The Duchess of Kent attended a reception given by the National Association for Material and Child Welfare last night at Guildhall and presented the NACW award of the year to Mother Frances Dominica of Helen House, Oxford. Lady Glenconner, president of the association, received the guests.

Cranwell graduations

Air Vice-Marshal R. J. M. Alcock, Director General of Communications, International Systems and Organization (RAF), was the reviewing officer when 96 officers of the No 93 Initial Officer Training Course graduated from the Royal Air Force College Cranwell on June 19.

Latest wills

Sir John Molesworth-St Aubyn, of Bodmin, Cornwall, formerly High Sheriff of Cornwall, left estate valued at £31,019 net. Miss Hilda Mabel Matson, of Godmanchester, Cambridgeshire, left estate valued at £202,442 net. She left the entire amount to the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Church news

The Rev R K Edwood, Headmaster, St Christopher's School, Burnham-on-Sea, has been awarded the title of Canon of the Cathedral Church of All Saints, Worcester, by the Bishop of Worcester.

Births, Marriages, Deaths and In Memoriam

ASTLEY BRISTWILE - On June 22nd, to April (nee Youmans) and Pto, a son, Edward. BELLON - On June 21st, 1966 at Princess Christian's Hospital, a daughter, Jane Louise (nee Macdonald) and Jeremy, a son, Jonathan, a brother for Charles.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

SEYMOUR - A Service of Thanksgiving in memory of Michael Seymour, who died on June 19th, 1979, will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Southampton, on Friday, June 27th, at 11.30 am.

IN MEMORIAM - WAR

PETTEREW Robert McCannott - 2nd Lt. 8th (Service) Bn. Royal Irish Rifles. Died on June 19th, 1916. We will remember them. Uncle of Henry (Mick) McCannott.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

FELDMAN - Lilian (nee Horvath). Paroled last 25.6.83. Etc.

United and Cecil Club

Sir Humphrey Atkins, MP, Chairman of the United and Cecil Club, presided at a dinner held in the Club on Monday last night. Sir Peter Marshall, Commonwealth Deputy Secretary-General, was the guest of honour and speaker and Mr Victor Waldroo also spoke.

Christening

The infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Guy was christened Georgina Kerensa on June 15, by the Master of the Temple, Mr Geoffrey Rippon, QC, MP. Brassy's organist, Mr Peter Guy, and Mr Stephen Dawson and Miss Veronica Gaillard.

WALL STREET

New York (Reuters) - Wall Street shares turned mixed in early trading yesterday, with closely-watched averages continuing the decline of the previous session.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 2.20 points to 1,864.95. Advancing issues led declines on 15 million shares.

UAL led the active issues, unchanged at 55. US Air Group was down 1/4 to 33 3/4 and Delta fell 1/4 to 42 1/2.

Airline shares rose after People Express said it was considering the sale of all or part of the company.

The transportation average was up 1.87 at 784.50, utilities were down 0.49 points at 188.68 and stocks, at 715.42, were up 0.86 points.

Table with columns for stock symbols (e.g., AMR, ASA, Allied Signal) and their prices/changes. Includes sub-sections for 'CANADIAN PRICES' and 'FINANCIAL TRUSTS'.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES table showing market rates and forward rates for various currencies (e.g., New York, London, Hong Kong).

The dollar was firmer in thin trade yesterday. By mid-afternoon in New York, the dollar was quoted at DM2.2260, up from DM2.2220 late in London trading.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Table showing money market rates (e.g., 3-month, 6-month, 12-month) and gold prices (e.g., Gold 24K, Gold 18K).

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Table listing London financial futures contracts (e.g., Three Month Sterling, Six Month Sterling) and their current prices.

COMMODITIES

Table showing commodity prices for various metals (e.g., Copper, Aluminum, Lead) and other goods.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Large table listing various investment trusts (e.g., ANHEIM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS, BARRINGTON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS) and their performance metrics.

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK

Table showing prices for various types of meat (e.g., Beef, Pork, Lamb) and livestock.

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Table listing financial trusts (e.g., ANHEIM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS, BARRINGTON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS) and their performance metrics.

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

Extremely large table providing detailed information for various unit trusts, including names, managers, and performance data.

Department of Energy 'should be abolished'

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The Department of Energy should be abolished after the privatization of British Gas and all energy industries...

French nuclear power programme is heavily subsidized by the state.

The reports claim that nuclear energy is still probably the cheapest and safest means of serving the country's energy needs.

The IOD suggests that government involvement in the nuclear industry should be confined to granting or withholding planning permission...

It declares: "The Chernobyl disaster should not be allowed to damage the British nuclear programme on the principle of guilt by association."

However, the IOD's case is weakened by the fact that it compares British electricity prices - which it says are high because they are produced by a state-run generating authority - and those of France, which are low because the

The monopoly of the National Nuclear Corporation in the design and construction of new nuclear power stations should be removed.

A privatized Central Electricity Generating Board should be free to import coal from any source and companies generating their own power should be free to sell it to neighbouring industries or towns.

Any private enterprise which wants to set up a nuclear power station should be free to do so and electricity should be supplied to the national grid by competing enterprises.

Taxation on North Sea oil fields should be reformed and all taxes of fuels should eventually be replaced by some form of levy which reflects the degree of congestion caused by the using vehicles.

The reports adds that the remaining Government holding in BP should be sold.

It says: "Whereas there have been serious errors of post-war policy towards coal, nuclear power, electricity and gas, costing the taxpayer and consumer billions of pounds, the oil industry has worked efficiently and economically, contributing large sums to the Exchequer. It is not a coincidence that the oil industry, unlike other energy industries, has been mostly private and decentralized."

Peruvian warning on \$750m IMF debt

Lima, (Reuter) - Peru does not foresee paying the International Monetary Fund all the \$750 million it owes during the next three years...

"Without heating around the bush, we want to say that we are doubtless not in a position to pay the IMF what we owe it during the next three years," he told the Socialist International conference.

The Peruvian government has suspended payments due to foreign creditors since President Alan Garcia took office last July, with a pledge to limit debt repayments to 10 per cent of export earnings.

Peru has only paid the IMF \$35.5 million this year, and needs to clear about \$186 million before August 15 to avoid losing its borrowing rights, Peruvian finance officials said.

A loss of borrowing rights, widely considered a key measure of credit-worthiness, could scale back loans from the World Bank.

Senor Castro said that paying the IMF would represent seven per cent of projected export earnings.

APPOINTMENTS

British Olivetti: Mr David Maroni has been made a director.

Mott, Hay & Anderson: Mr Peter J Clayson becomes a director and will join the main board of the group.

Midland Bank: Mr Ian Paterson has been appointed chief executive, retail banking sector from September 1, and will also become a director of the bank from that date.

Fletcher King: Mr Richard Goode and Mr Murray Keith have been appointed associate partners, and Mr John Campbell has been made an equity partner.

Great Portland Estates: Mr Michael Edmondson has been made an executive director, effective August 1.

WanderWorld: Mr Dennis Spiegel has been appointed to the board as managing director, Themepark Operations.

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Table with columns for 1986 High, 1986 Low, Company, Price, Change, Dividend, Yield, P/E. Lists various unlisted securities and their market performance.

COMPANY NEWS
HABIT PRECISION ENGINEERING: Six months to March 31, 1986, interim dividend 0.7p (0.6p), payable July 30. Turnover £5.77 million (£3.89 million). Pretax profit £485,000 (£305,000). Dividend 2.93p (2.2p). The company has acquired a Surrey-based group, Mantech (Finance) for £750,000 cash. KLP GROUP: Half-year to March 31, 1986 (comparisons resumed). Interim dividend 1.5p (1.2p), payable Aug. 20. Turnover £12.39 million (£7.02 million). Pretax profit £646,000 (£429,000). Earnings per share, basic, 7.45p (4.65p) and fully diluted, 6.83p (4.32p).

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9.2, 10.6, 12.5, 14.5, 16.75
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European Law Report Luxembourg
Wives discriminated against in invalidity care allowance
Drake v Chief Adjudication Officer
Case 150/85
Before: K. Bahm, President of the Fourth Chamber, and Judges T. Koopmans, G. Bosco, T. F. Higgins and F. A. Schockweiler
Advocate General G. F. Mancini (Opinion given April 22, 1986)
[Judgment given June 24]
Invalid care allowance formed part of a statutory invalidity scheme which fell within the scope of Council Directive No 79/7 despite the fact that it was paid to a third party and not directly to the disabled person. Mrs Jacqueline Drake was married and lived with her husband. Over a number of years she had held a variety of full-time and part-time jobs. In June 1984 her mother, who was severely disabled, came to live with her. Mrs Drake thereupon gave up her work in order to look after her mother. Section 37(1) of the Social Security Act 1975 provided for the payment of an invalid care allowance where, inter alia, (a) the applicant was regularly and substantially engaged in caring for a severely disabled person; and (b) the applicant was not gainfully employed. Under section 37(3) the invalid care allowance was not paid to any person who was under the age of 16 or was engaged in full-time education; to a married woman living with or maintained by her husband or to a woman when she and a man to whom she was not married were living together as husband and wife. On February 5, 1985 Mrs Drake applied for the allowance in respect of the care provided by her to her mother. The adjudication officer stated that under Section 37(3)(a)(i) the benefit was not payable to a married woman residing with her husband and was referred the claim to a social security tribunal. The tribunal held that the rule constituted discrimination on the ground of sex contrary to Council Directive No 79/7/EEC on the progressive implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women in matters of social security (OJ No L6 of January 10, 1979, p.24). The adjudication officer appealed against that decision to the Chief Social Security Commissioner who referred the matter to the Court of Justice of the European Communities for a preliminary ruling. In its judgment the European Court of Justice held: By his first question: the commissioner asked whether the right to the payment of a benefit to a person who cared for a disabled person constituted part of a statutory scheme providing protection against the risk of invalidity to which Directive No 79/7 applied under article 3(1)(a). According to article 3(1), the Directive applied to statutory schemes providing protection against, inter alia, the risk of invalidity and social assistance in so far as it was intended to supplement or replace the invalidity scheme. In order to fall within the scope of the Directive, therefore, a benefit had to constitute the whole or part of a statutory scheme providing protection against one of the specified risks or a form of social assistance having the same objective. Under article 2, the term "working population", which determined the scope of the directive, was defined broadly to include "self-employed persons, workers and self-employed persons whose activity is interrupted by illness, accident or involuntary unemployment and persons seeking employment and retired or invalided workers and self-employed persons." Article 2 of the Directive was based on the idea that a person whose work had been interrupted by one of the risks referred to in article 3 belonged to the working population. That was the case of Mrs Drake who had given up work solely because of one of the risks listed in article 3, namely the invalidity of her mother. She was therefore to be regarded as a member of the working population for the purposes of the Directive. It was possible for the member states to provide protection against the consequences of the risk of invalidity in various ways. For example, a member state might, as the United Kingdom had done, provide for two separate allowances, one payable to the disabled person himself and the other payable to the person who provided care. In order, therefore, to ensure that the progressive implementation of the principle of equal treatment referred to in article 1 of the Directive was carried out in a harmonious manner throughout the Community, article 3(1) was to be interpreted as including any benefit which in a broad sense formed part of one of the statutory schemes referred to or a social assistance provision intended to supplement or replace such a scheme. The payment of the benefit to the person who provided care was still dependent upon the existence of a situation of invalidity in as much as such a situation was a condition sine qua non for its payment, as had been admitted by the adjudication officer during the oral procedure. There was a clear economic link between the benefit and the disabled person, since the disabled person derived an advantage from the fact that an allowance was paid to the person caring for him. It followed that the fact that the benefit which formed part of the statutory invalidity scheme was paid to a third party and not directly to the disabled person did not place it outside the scope of Directive No 79/7. Otherwise, as the Commission had emphasized in its observations, it would be possible, by making formal changes to existing benefit covered by the Directive, to remove them from its scope. Article 4(1) of Directive No 79/7 provided that the principle of equal treatment, with regard in particular to the scope of schemes and the conditions of access to them, meant that there should be no discrimination whatsoever on the ground of sex. That provision embodied the aim of the Directive, set out in article 1, that was to set the implementation, in the field of social security, of the principle of equal treatment, a principle which the Court had frequently held to be fundamental. It followed that a national provision such as that at issue before the Chief Social Security Commissioner was contrary to the aim of the Directive, which under article 189 of the Treaty was binding on the member states as to its result to be achieved. On those grounds, the European Court (Fourth Chamber) ruled: I A benefit provided by member state and paid to person caring for a disabled person formed part of a statutory scheme providing protection against invalidity which was covered by Directive No 79/7/EEC pursuant to article 3(1)(a) of the Directive. 2 Discrimination on the ground of sex contrary to article 4(1) of Directive No 79/7/EEC arose where legislation which formed part of one of the statutory schemes referred to in article 3(1) of the Directive was not payable to married woman who lived with or was maintained by her husband although it was payable to corresponding circumstances to a married man.

David Smith examines the prospects of maintaining industrial growth

Mixed signals on UK recovery

Doubts about continued growth in Britain's economy which began with a run of poor output and unemployment figures over the winter have refused to go away.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, admitted on Friday that growth this year was likely to fall below the official 3 per cent forecast, but he said that the economy would put in a stronger performance next year than the 2.5 per cent first-half growth contained in the Budget forecast.

The Chancellor did not put any numbers on his new assessment of economic prospects, although he will have had at his disposal the Treasury's summer forecast, which is not published. This is believed to have pared growth for this year to just below 2.5 per cent, while boosting the growth forecast for next year to around 3.25 per cent.

The inference is clear. The collapse in oil prices had an initial depressing effect on economic activity, but this will give way, in the Chancellor's words, "to a vigorous resumption of growth," as the economy adjusts to the new situation.

Sure enough, first quarter results were poor in most of the major economies. In Germany gross domestic product fell, putting Britain's 0.7 per cent quarter-on-quarter rise in gross domestic product at the upper end of the ranges of

industrialized countries' performance. But in Germany, France and Britain, the story appears to have been the same. The depressed first quarter gave way to a strong rise in output in April.

The cosy picture of accelerating growth after a first quarter lull is, however, not falling into place very easily. Retail sales data have suggested a decline in sales volume in April and May, admittedly after a high March figure.

More importantly, the Confederation of British Industry's *Monthly Trends Enquiry*, published on Monday, suggests that orders remain depressed and expectations for output gloomy.

Anticipated output is particularly important. Twenty-five per cent of firms surveyed expected it to rise over the next four months, 15 per cent expected a fall and 60 per cent no change.

Surveys can, of course, be proved wrong but, as far as the official output figures are concerned, there is an element of self-fulfilling prophecy about the expectations of CBI members.

This is because they are incorporated into the Central Statistical Office's figures for manufacturing output in the form of a bias adjustment, intended to correct for under-recording. The more gloomy the survey results from the



Nigel Lawson: "vigorous growth ahead"

CBI, the lower the bias adjustment. The bias adjustment in April accounted for 1.1 of the 1.8 per cent rise in manufacturing output.

Apart from the technical importance of the CBI results, they were clearly showing that the economy has remained depressed well into the second quarter.

The London Business School, in its June *Economic Outlook*, published over the weekend, predicted a 2 per cent growth in the output measure of gross domestic product this year, with a 3.2 per cent figure in 1987.

This forecast is based on the view that the economy has begun to recover after its first quarter pause, and that growth will accelerate through the year and into 1987. The LBS sees the problem

of sluggish manufacturing output as reflecting "an inadequate supply response to the needs of the domestic consumer, not insufficient demand."

Next year, with personal incomes boosted by strong growth in real earnings and tax cuts, domestic demand is expected to be particularly strong - real disposable income growth of 3.4 per cent producing a 4.1 per cent rise in consumer spending.

And that, perhaps, is the key to the growth puzzle at present. Indicators of spending and incomes - notwithstanding the April and May retail sales figures - are generally quite strong. But indicators of output have been weak for some time.

The first quarter rise in the average estimate of GDP of 0.7 per cent concealed a range of increases, from only 0.2 per cent in the output measure, to 0.6 per cent in income GDP and 1.2 per cent in the expenditure measure.

The output measure of GDP was up by only 1.1 per cent on a year earlier, after allowing for the effects of the coal strike. When the strike effects and oil are excluded, the figures show a small decline between the fourth quarter of last year and the first quarter of this year.

So there are two sides to the question of whether growth is returning. The first concerns incomes and spending, and

whether they can be expected to continue buoyant.

Most economists would answer yes to this. Incomes will be boosted in the way outlined by the LBS - with growth in average earnings outstripping that in retail prices by four or five percentage points. Spending is almost guaranteed to result from this.

But this brings us to the second question: will higher incomes and spending be reflected in stronger output in Britain. Here the answer is typically a heavily qualified yes.

Some upturn in output is bound to result from rising incomes and spending, but problems of British industry's competitiveness will inevitably mean that growth in output here lags and growth in output elsewhere accelerates.

The crux of the problem is not whether growth in the economy, broadly defined, picks up strongly in the coming months. There is every reason to think that it will, as the "windfall" effects of lower oil prices, already present in inflation rates, come through on output.

More difficult is the sustainability of this upturn, if in large part, it draws in increasing quantities of imported goods. Mr Lawson should be worried about the economy, not in the final six months of this year but in the second half of 1987. Industry's gloom may be justified.

University News

Cambridge Tripos results

The following Tripos examination results from Cambridge University are published - denotes distinction.

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Class 1: None. Class 2: None. Class 3: None.

Music Tripos, Part IB

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Chemistry

Class 1: None. Class 2: None. Class 3: None.

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Class 1: None. Class 2: None. Class 3: None.

Mathematics

Class 1: None. Class 2: None. Class 3: None.

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Class 1: None. Class 2: None. Class 3: None.

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Class 1: None. Class 2: None. Class 3: None.

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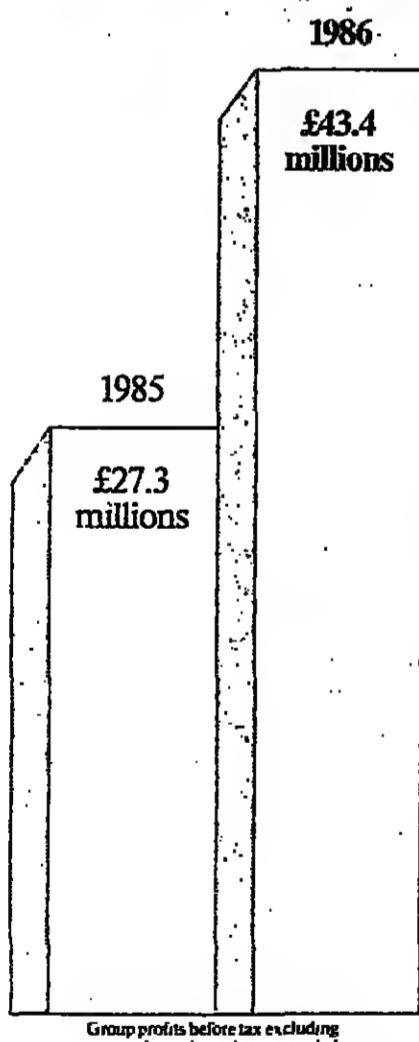


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By Diana Wildman

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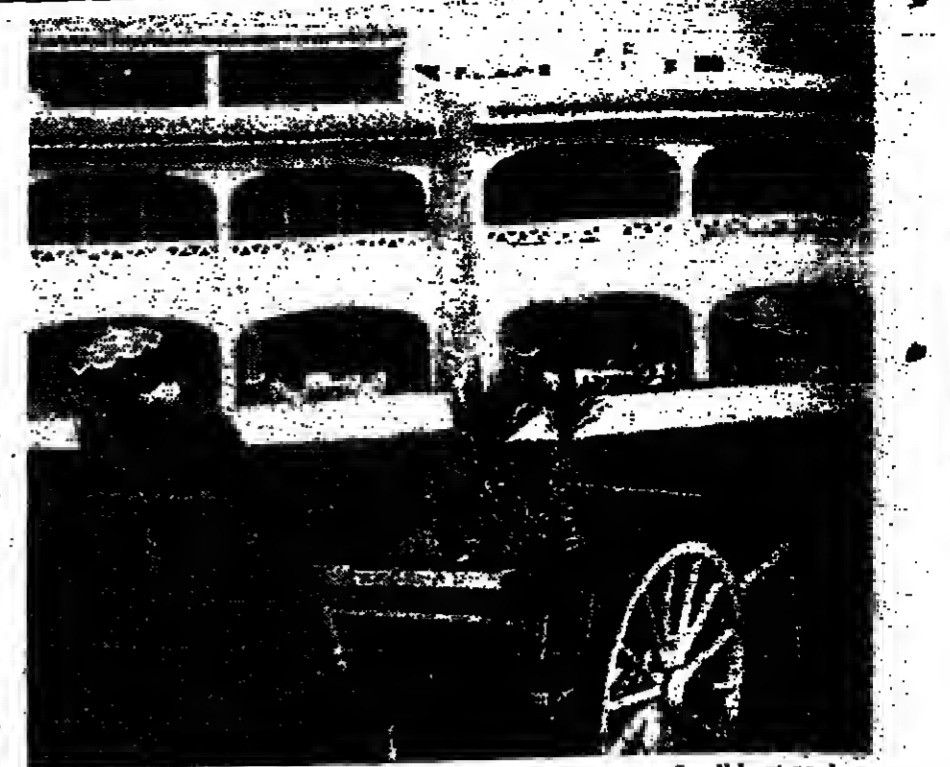
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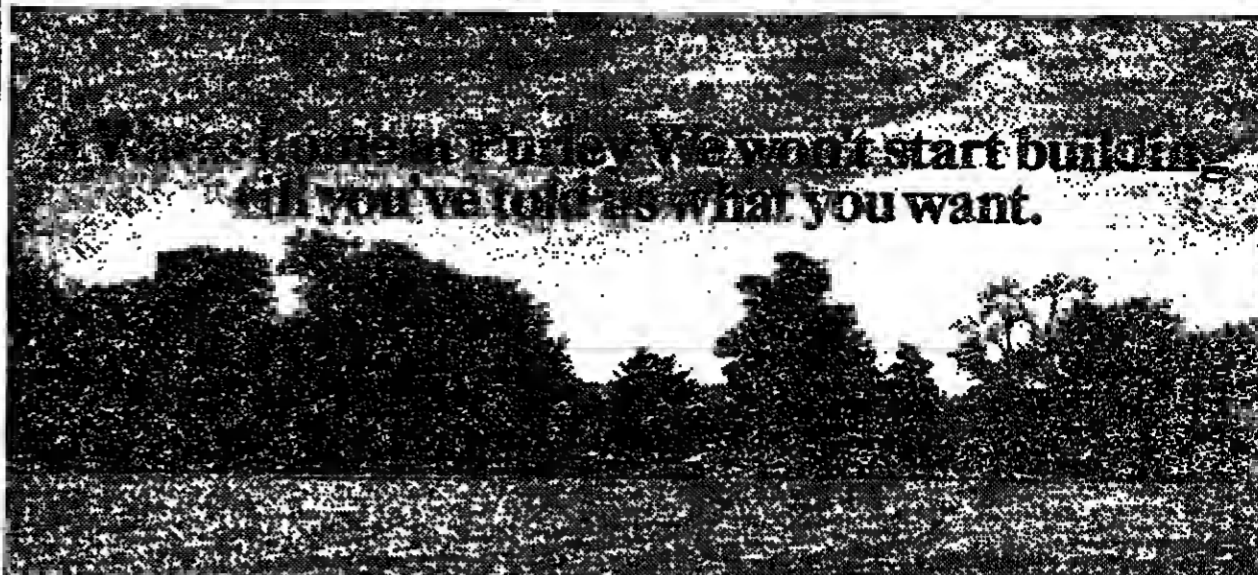
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FOOTBALL: FRENCH SEEK VENGEANCE OVER GERMANS BUT BELGIUM NEED INSPIRATION AGAINST ARGENTINA

German boots still awaken nightmares in French flair

From David Miller, Mexico City

Make no mistake, the possibility of West Germany meeting Belgium in the World Cup Final, producing through out fault of their own, a sharp anticlimax to the competition, is more realistic than many would like to suppose.

In today's semi-finals, the Germans and Belgians will probably set out to reduce the effectiveness of France and Argentina with similar tactical constraint as Italy did against France in the second round and England against Argentina last Sunday. Each have better capacity to turn theory into fulfillment than either Italy or England.

The attitude of Franz Beckenbauer, the West German manager, is evident in the undercurrent of information from the camp at Querétaro that Rolf Harburg's defensive midfielder player, will be brought into the team with penalty, which allowed Hrubecsh to slot the winner.

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Maradona claimed it was "The hand of God" which influenced Argentina's victory over England. This photograph, from a Mexican newspaper, El Heraldo, shows it was also the hand of Maradona. Goalkeeper Shilton was later beaten by a genuine touch of world class

New attendance record set

With four matches left to play, the 1986 World Cup finals have already reached an all-time aggregate attendance record. According to figures provided by the World Cup organizing committee, 2,111,931 spectators have watched the 48 matches played so far. 2,208 more than the 2,109,723 registered for the 52 matches played in Spain in 1982.

The record was set on Sunday when 45,000 people attended the Spain-Belgium quarter-final match in Puebla. The average attendance at the weekend's four quarter-final matches was 66,570, and for the entire tournament, 43,998.

The organizing committee's figures do not distinguish between paying spectators and officials, dignitaries, journalists and others whose entry to the ground is free. After the inaugural match on May 31 between Bulgaria and Italy at the Aztec Stadium, FIFA officials told the Associated Press that only 85,000 of the 95,000 crowd actually paid to get in.

If the four remaining matches — two semi-finals, a third-place play-off and the final — draw capacity crowds, the total attendance for the finals will be about 2,450,000.

Along with the glory of winning football's most coveted prize, large financial bonuses are at stake in Mexico.

The Brazilians were on \$1,000 (about £700) a goal per man for a quarter-final win over France by more than two goals, and they would have received about \$73,000 each in accumulated match bonuses had they gone on to take the cup for a fourth time. As it is, they have left with about \$24,000 each, some consolation for their defeat by France on penalties.

Team sponsorships and arrangements with national federations ensure large bonuses for all players of successful teams. FIFA pays each team about £150,000 for every match played during the finals, and that income is used partly to pay bonuses to players.

Belgians face task of controlling the touch of genius

From Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent Mexico City

The question that is being posed with increasing regularity here is how on earth can anyone stop Diego Maradona. The little Argentinian is blessed with such extraordinary talent that occasionally he provokes the thought that he is an animated advertisement for a version of the game that is being played on another planet.

The South Koreans were overawed by him, the Bulgarians could not control him, and both the Uruguayans and England were knocked out by individual performances that bordered on the heavenly. Only the Italians, renowned for the sharpness of their tactical claws, have come close to providing an answer and they subsequently ran into Platini.

Now it is the turn of the Belgians, who have stretched their own and everybody else's imagination already by reacting to Claisen rather than the height of Coulemans. But Argentina's back four will be strengthened by the return of Garre, who has

the side who 24 hours later he was expected to go out and destroy. "They have strong defensive foundations," he said.

Valdano, who shares with Maradona the title of Argentina's leading goalscorer, spoke about his main ally in terms that would have been more apt over the weekend. "He is our Excel," he commented, "but our main strength is an organized defence which is not a typical feature of our domestic game."

Brown and Roggeri, two central defenders of similar tall stature and relative immobility, were unseated at the opening and closing of the quarter-final against England. They may be disturbed more by the speed of Claisen rather than the height of Coulemans. But Argentina's back four will be strengthened by the return of Garre, who has

the side who 24 hours later he was expected to go out and destroy. "They have strong defensive foundations," he said. "And, with Seffo and Coulemans, they are skilful when going forward. But we will attack them. That is the only way we know."

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Referees selected for semi-finals

Mexico City (Reuter) - Antonio Marquez, of Mexico, will referee the Argentina-Belgium semi-final which will be played in the Azteca stadium in Mexico City today, and Luigi Aguilera, of Italy, will referee the semi-final between England and West Germany in Guadalajara. Each will be refereeing his third match of the finals.

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European million man in the making

From Mitchell Platts Monte Carlo

Severiano Ballesteros will hope to continue his latest potential record-breaking sequence in the Johnnie Walker Monte Carlo Open which starts here on the Mont Aigel course today. He is seeking his third successive victory on the European tour after his triumphs in the Dunhill British Masters and the Cartrols in three in a row in 1983, which equalled the record established by Peter Allis.

Ballesteros is also aware that the first prize of almost £27,000 would take his domestic earnings in 10 years to more than £340,000 — double his annual ambition of becoming Europe's £1 million winner. "I want to put my name in the Guinness Book of Records," Ballesteros said. "It is much harder to win a million in Europe than it is in America."

Since he is banned from playing on the United States PGA tour this year there must be every chance of Ballesteros at least equalling Faldo's five victories in 1983, which concluded a record since the British PGA and Continental championships were first co-ordinated in 1970. He will be pressed to challenge the European record of seven wins set by Norman voo Nida, of Australia, in 1947 and equalled by Flory van Donck, of Belgium, in 1953.

Ballesteros has not finished out of the top four in six European appearances this season and he is top of the order of merit with £103,655. That represents an average of £52,290 a tournament.

Sam Torrance is the defending champion but Sandy Lyle, who finished third last Sunday, is likely to provide the stiffest opposition to the Spaniard. Lyle is determined to offset several indifferent performances in this, his last tournament appearance before he defends the Open Championship at Turnberry next month.

"I've not been happy with the way I've been driving the ball since I returned from winning the Greater Greensboro Open on the US tour," he said. "If I feel I need further competition I'm contenting the Care Flow national the week before the Open."

Morales nets Gross record

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A tough ride for wounded pride

British pride, battered by the Danes, may finally jolt on Sunday at Coventry when 16 riders compete for nine places in the overseas final of the world individual championship. Smashing from the international scene, the Danes, who had the disastrous seventh place in the world pairs final, the British are looking over their shoulders at a renewed American challenge.

Their mood of pessimism will not be improved by the thought that two American challengers will be competing lane and patched up after injury. Defeat from Shauna Moran and Lance King would leave humiliating on the lips of Jeremy

of the championship at Long Beach last weekend. Moran dropped out one point to Bobby Schwartz to score 14 points, with King one point behind. Schwartz is part of the American challenge on Sunday, as is Sam Ermolenko, of Wolverhampton, and Shauna Moran's brother, Kelly.

With Steve Baker and Phil Cramp riding for Australia, and Mitch Shatta and Larry Ross for New Zealand, the British face more genuine international competition polished by British League experience. A home victory would be salutary and overdue. Doncaster's bruised ego was

recently soothed by his victory in the Commonwealth final. He, Everts, of Bradford, despite his recent injuries, are capable on top form of restoring British pride.

Fred Thorp, of Stoke, the National League champion, will again be looking to confound the pundits by qualifying, but this is the most daunting challenge of his short career. Marvin Cox, of Oxford, is another who may find that the occasion and the opposition are too much. The fact that he is on his home track could help Kevin Tatum, of Coventry, to squeeze into the nine qualifying places.

Today's fixtures

Third Place Play-off: Puebla, Sat. FINAL: Sunday, Azteca Stadium, 7pm

FOR THE RECORD

CRICKET: Poleslaka Polaris 16, Chicago Cubs 1; Houston Astros 7, Cincinnati Reds 10 (10 Innings) Houston 7, Cincinnati 10; Pittsburgh Pirates 1 (11 Innings) Atlanta Braves 1, Los Angeles Dodgers 5.

SWIMMING: Orlando, Fla.: United States world pool championships. Men's 100m butterfly: 1, S. Morales, 2:34.44 (world record); 2, G. Gross, 2:36.88; 3, M. Gross, 2:37.44. Women's 100m butterfly: 1, M. Marsh, 2:57.74.

HOCKEY: NHL: Montreal 5, Philadelphia 4; Philadelphia 4, Toronto 3; Detroit 1, St. Louis 2; Boston 1, Vancouver 1; Pittsburgh 1, Washington 1; Los Angeles 1, San Jose 1; Calgary 1, Edmonton 1.

GOLF: HARROGATE: Henry Cotton national golf championship. Round 1: 1, S. Morales, 2:34.44; 2, G. Gross, 2:36.88; 3, M. Gross, 2:37.44.

SPEEDWAY: BRITISH LEAGUE CUP: Wolverhampton 26, Coventry 10; Coventry 10, Wolverhampton 26; Walsley 16, Walsley 16; Walsley 16, Walsley 16.

TENNIS: ATP NEWS RANKINGS: 1, I. Lend (C); 2, M. Wilander (S); 3, J. Connors (US); 4, J. McInnis (A); 5, S. Edberg (S); 6, J. H. Lundeberg (S); 7, S. Edberg (S); 8, J. H. Lundeberg (S); 9, J. Connors (US); 10, J. Connors (US); 11, J. Connors (US); 12, J. Connors (US); 13, J. Connors (US); 14, J. Connors (US); 15, J. Connors (US); 16, J. Connors (US); 17, J. Connors (US); 18, J. Connors (US); 19, J. Connors (US); 20, J. Connors (US).

BASEBALL: NORTH AMERICA: American League. Milwaukee Brewers 8, Toronto Blue Jays 3; New York Yankees 11, Boston Red Sox 3; Kansas City Royals 6, Oakland Athletics 3; Chicago White Sox 11, Minnesota Twins 2; California Angels 10, Los Angeles Dodgers 6; Cleveland Indians 9, Seattle Mariners 4; National League. San Francisco Giants 14, San Diego Padres 1;

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SPORT

Convalescent Cash makes swift recovery

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

A young lady once climbed the Matterhorn (by the tourist route, admitted, with a series of helpful tugs on the way) four days after an appendectomy. This admirably bold achievement was surpassed when, three weeks after a similar operation, Pat Cash beat Guillermo Vilas 6-4, 6-2, 6-3 on the centre court at Wimbledon yesterday. Serving tennis balls is more strenuous than being lugged up a mountain.

Cash, aged 21, is a Victorian but has blood ties with Chicago and Wexford, which is uncommon among Australians. In 1984 he reached the semi-finals of the Wimbledon and United States championships and was regarded as the best player to come out of Australia since John Newcombe. Then his health let him down, the confidence drained out of him, and his ranking plunged. Cash was granted a place in this year's draw only as a wild card — that is to say, by invitation rather than on merit.

Vilas, aged 33, first played at Wimbledon in 1970 but has never gone further than the quarter-finals (1975 and 1976). His best tennis on grass has been played in Australia but, all things considered, it seems reasonable to suggest that yesterday's match reflected more credit on the convalescent than it did on the poet of the Pampas.

There were hints of another sickness-to-success story before Joakim Nystrom, seeded sixth, came through in five sets against Kelly Evernden, a New Zealander who lives in New South Wales. Evernden had just won the New Zealand junior championship when he was hit by a car. Twice in five days, his heart stopped. He broke an arm and a leg, plus a few ribs. A punctured lung was eventually removed. Aged 24, Evernden is now a Davis Cup player in his second full year on the international circuit. He came back from two sets down to take Nystrom to a fifth. But in tennis as in the rest of life, the fairy-tale finishes seldom happen.

A steward barred me from court 14 because "there are too many Press here already".

Never mind. I have been barred from better places than that. The object of the exercise was to find out how Anders Jarryd, seeded eighth, was coping with Bill Scanlon. Jarryd reached the semi-finals last year but Scanlon has the more consistent Wimbledon record. Last year Scanlon had a bad knee. He appeared in the draw only as a "lucky loser", which is to say that he did not even qualify. But he remains a

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formidably good player on fast courts and he took Jarryd to five sets.

This was one of those days when many of the players on court were deficient in class compared with some of the ex-players watching them. This was evident, for example, on court nine when Hansjorg Schwaier resumed his match with Marcelo Ingaramo — suspended overnight when Schwaier, having saved two match points, still had to save a third because he was serving at 5-6 and 30-40 down in the fifth set. That is no kind of situation in which to go back to work. Schwaier did not welcome it. His wickily amused supporters did. But Schwaier had the last laugh. He won.

Custer (Brett), an Australian qualifier, made his last stand but went the same way as the other Custer — in this case, against Johan Kriek, who is still recovering from the shock of reaching the French semi-finals on an alien surface.

Ramesh Krishnan beat Francisco Maciel, who has the handsomely ruffled looks of an Irish boxer. They were fun to watch from the Press balcony, overlooking court seven, though I had only a sparrow for company (it is awfully difficult for sparrows to find a peaceful perch during the championships). Later, at court level, a Belgian journalist told me: "I like watching

Krishnan. He makes tennis look so easy. He is like the cream on the strawberries."

Another engaging spectacle, for different reasons, was that of Mike Bauer, a virile and charming American with German parents, beating Christian Saccanu, aged 18, last year's German junior champion. There are not a lot of Germans called Saccanu. This one comes from a German-speaking province of Romania but now lives near Düsseldorf. His father is a doctor, a brain specialist.

The interesting thing about Saccanu was his service action, an abrupt vertical take-off that raised images of Peter Pan being jerked off the floor for the flying act. Saccanu was sometimes foot-faulted. Now how do you foot-fault a man who is so spectacularly airborne that he might have come off a launching pad?

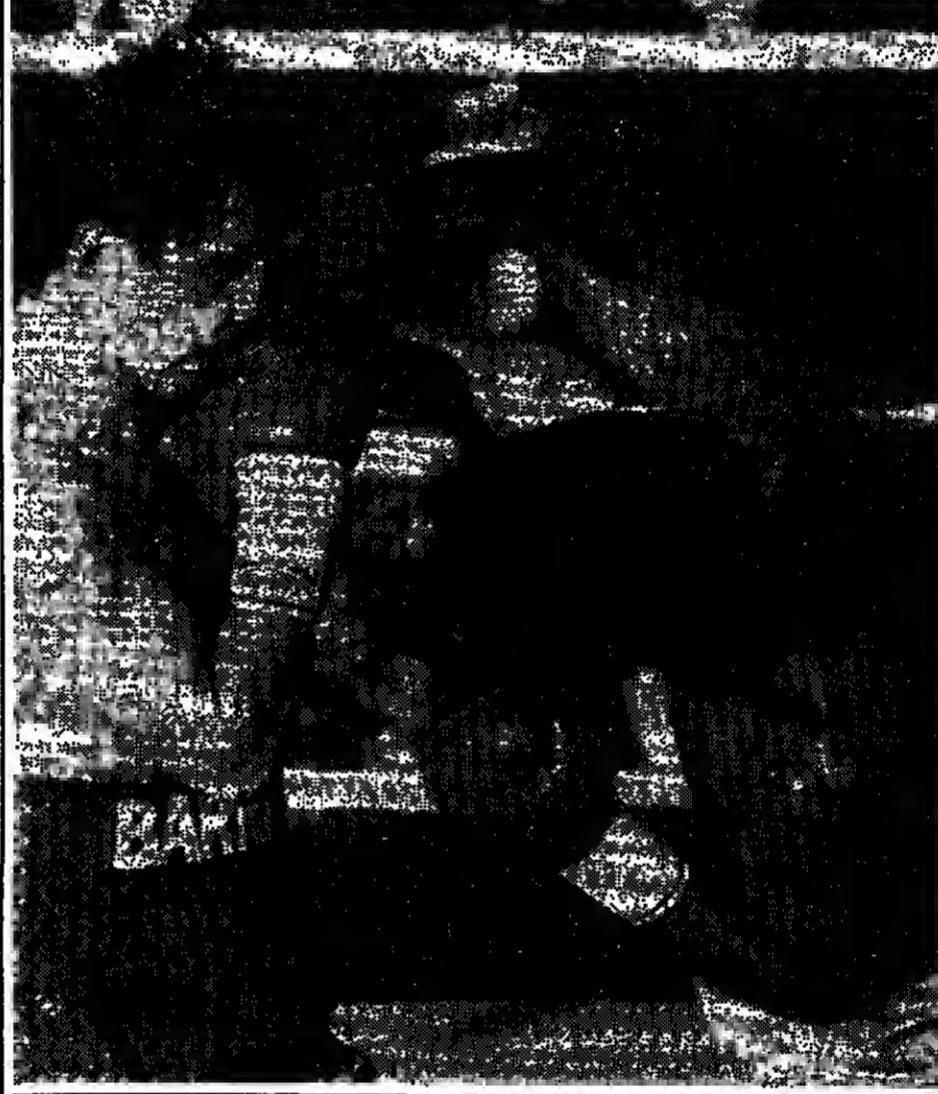
One of the perks of being chairman of the championships, as "Buzzer" Haddingham is, is that you may get to sit on the front row of the royal box with an attractive redhead whose surname, until this year, was chiefly associated with tractors and television sets. They were watching

Martina Navratilova beat Amanda Dingwall (née Tobin), an Australian who was dismissed from the French championships without even winning a game but, like most Australians, is much more at home on grass.

I have always contended that the best day for newcomers to savour Wimbledon is on the second day, when there are good matches all over the place and the crowds are not sufficiently packed to inhibit free movement. This was yesterday. The weather was mostly benign, the roses between the members' enclosure and court five were blooming beautifully, and one could enjoy the ambience of the championships without being unduly disturbed by the outbursts of gasping violence that punctuated the players' meditative pauses. And that companionable sparrow, on the balcony at court seven, evidently found Krishnan much to his taste.



There is nothing indestructible under the sun: McGuigan pays the canvas a return visit in the fifteenth (above) and takes a cheekbone-crushing right hook in the second



The sun goes down for the son of Ireland

From Srikanth Sen, Boxing Correspondent, Las Vegas

It was quite clear from the walter of questions being asked about the downfall of Barry McGuigan at Caesars Palace here yesterday that it was not just due to the fists of Steve Cruz, of FORTH WORTH, TEXAS — though he had not a little to do with it — but to several contributory factors, not least of which was the 110-degree heat at six o'clock in the evening.

But the one overriding cause of the demise of Ireland's World Boxing Association featherweight champion was the belief in his camp that he was indestructible. And those of us who were part of the camp must share in the blame for readily accepting that belief and publicizing it.

How casually we all treated the sun as, sitting by the swimming pool at Caesars, we listened to plans being made for his next two contests and beyond. It was so pleasant sitting in the sun watching the swimmers splashing about.

Ireland's hero melts away

Day after day we were told: "Oh, don't worry about the heat, Barry's been training in 120 degrees in Palm Springs. He just loves the heat." No one thought for a moment that if there is nothing new under the sun there is nothing indestructible under it. It was the sun more than Cruz that destroyed Ireland's hero.

After the contest McGuigan was taken away to Valley Hospital in an ambulance with severe exhaustion and headache. He was later given a brain scan and kept in for observation. Reports from the hospital later in the evening said he was comfortable and back to his old self.

It was surprising to hear his manager, R.J. Eastwood, saying that it was not the heat but a "snicker punch" in the tenth round that beat McGuigan. Eastwood seems to have overlooked the scorecards which show that three points were deducted by two of the judges and two points by one in the last round, when McGuigan was flopping about from one end of the ring to the other and going down twice from too much more than taps.

It was a clear case of a man suffering from heat exhaustion. It was plain to see that his eyes could not focus. He was imagining Cruz in places he was not in and trying to fight him.

That tenth-round blow was not responsible for his state. I have no doubt that if the bout had taken place in Britain he would have won comfortably. Going into the last round the scorecards showed McGuigan leading by one round on one judge's card, by two rounds in another and trailing by one point according to the third judge. On my card they were level in cooler conditions. McGuigan might not have been floored and thus would not have lost those final points.

Other contributory factors would most likely not have arisen in cooler conditions. He

may not have been decked in the tenth, which cost him another two points, and had it been cooler he might not have lost control and resorted to low blows that finally caused the deduction of yet another point in the twelfth round. All these can be put down to desperation in a hostile climate.

It was unfortunate for McGuigan that a storm which had been threatening all day moved off northwards not long before the doors to the Sports Pavilion opened and immediately caused the comfortable 90 degrees to jump 20 points.

Cruz, who boxes regularly in Las Vegas, knew what he was up against. He had not underestimated McGuigan. Nor had he underestimated the sun. He boxed smartly throughout, never allowing McGuigan to ruffle him, and conserved his energy, keeping his exertions down to neat counter-punching while McGuigan did the hard work, and picked up the points. Cruz, though trailing, was doing damage.

By the fifth round McGuigan had hit Cruz with devastating blows to head and body that in the past would have put away better men than the Mexican-American. Cruz shook his head and came on as if to say "Hit me more and exhaust yourself."

His trainer, Papa Joe Barrientes, said afterwards: "I told Stevie to back away from McGuigan and lead him into the sun and let the sun blind him." That is what happened in the sixth when McGuigan was reeked by a little left hook beautifully placed and McGuigan had to hold. It happened again in the tenth. Cruz spun out of a corner and curled in a left hook. This time McGuigan was dropped. It happened with the help of the sun.

Champion resorts to low blows

Though McGuigan had dominated the first five rounds, the contest turned round in the fifth when McGuigan was caught by three quick jabs and forced to go backwards. That was when Cruz realized that the Irishman was not invincible. McGuigan was in trouble again in the sixth; and in the seventh Cruz, emboldened by his success in the sixth and urged on by his delighted corner, outmanoeuvred and outboxed him, so much so that McGuigan had to resort to a low blow.

McGuigan won the eighth and the ninth, was knocked down in the tenth, drew the eleventh, lost the twelfth on the deduction and on my card drew the thirteenth. But though he won the fourth, there was nothing left in him.

It is unlikely that McGuigan will ever be the same. As Eastwood said: "It's going to be hard to lift him and very hard for him to come again."

OTHER RESULTS: World Boxing Council light-middleweight championships: Thomas Hearns (US) bt Mark Wood (US), 8th rd. Middle: Hervé Grabon (GB) bt Ernie Sabotta (US), 1st. Robby Green (US) bt Roberto Duran (Paraguay), pts.

Court where Britons reign

By David Powell

Anyone suggesting that Britain's men would go down like the price of strawberries during the opening round of Wimbledon should have been sent to court six these past two days. There, after Andrew Castle's victory over an opponent ranked above him on Monday, Nick Fulwood stood his ground yesterday in an absorbing encounter with an American who has been rising fast.

Brad Pearce has found his way into the world's top 200 for the first time but Fulwood put a stop to his progress with a 7-6, 6-7, 6-2, 7-6 victory in three hours and 43 minutes, the longest match of the tournament up to yesterday evening. The contrast between the two was extreme: on the one side of the net was the tall silent one from Derbyshire, on the other side the shrieking

hulk from Utah; the measured lobs of the outsider against the daring passing shots of his opponent.

When the second set produced eight breaks of service, it seemed more to the credit of the American. Shorter by at least three inches he had less height to dominate the net and was justly rewarded with the set for his labours. But Fulwood would not be flustered.

One's first impression as the two walked on court was that they had shared a kit bag in the dressing room and could not agree on who should wear which outfit. So they compromised. The red trim on Fulwood's shoes matched precisely the band round Pearce's shirt while the markings of the American's footwear were of the same blue highlighting the Briton's attire.

Although service breaks were a feature of the match, the British No.6 dug in when he most needed to. He saved a set point on his own service at 5-6 in the fourth set but went on to dominate the tie-break as he had done in the first set.

While Pearce has legs that look as if they are made to order — for weight lifting — Fulwood's physique looks more designed for high-jumping.

Two British players went down in five sets after leading, most notably John Lloyd. The British No.1 was ahead two sets to love and playing exceptionally well when his opponents, Christo Steyn, of South Africa, discovered what a good service can do on grass. With a barrage of aces he forced his way back to win 3-6, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-1.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Coghlan's warning

Eamonn Coghlan's decision to run in the 5,000 metres in the Ulster Games in Belfast on Monday may come as a surprise to Steve Ovett and Dave Lewis, who will be having a private battle for the vacant third 5,000m place in the England team for the Commonwealth Games.

Coghlan won the world 5,000m title in 1983 and after missing two seasons with stress fracture injuries is now regaining his best form. He said yesterday: "I was first told there would be a 3,000m race. I was later informed that the 3,000m had been scrapped and a 5,000m race put in its place to suit Steve Ovett. I am not happy with the way I have been treated but I will be running in Belfast all the same."

Gates decline

Although Widnes Rugby League club sold their international back, Joe Lydon, to Wigan for a record £100,000 fee, they made a loss of nearly £14,000 last season, following a deficit of nearly £5,000 the previous year. Widnes, who averaged one trophy a season in the 1970s and early 1980s, have been hit by a decline in



Coghlan: 'Unfair treatment'

New coach

The new England men's basketball coach is David Titmus, from Hemel Hempstead, who has been in charge of the Ubridge club. Titmus, aged 40, was voted Coach of the Year last season. He succeeds Bill Beswick, who is retiring.

Wright back

Mark Wright, the Southampton defender who was ruled out of England's World Cup campaign in Mexico because of a broken leg, will probably be ready for his club at the start of the new football season. Wright turned down an invitation from the England manager, Bobby Robson, to link up with the squad in Mexico, preferring to spend the summer working his way back to full fitness.

Swedish dates

England's international football match against Sweden on September 10 will be played at the Raasunda Stadium, Stockholm (kick-off 7pm local time). The Under-21 match on September 9 will be staged at Ostersund, 600 kilometres north of Stockholm (5.0).

Langley move

Everton Football Club have agreed a fee of £100,000 for Wigan Athletic's promising midfield player, Kevin Langley. Langley, aged 21, will sign on his return from holiday in Portugal. Last season Everton signed the Wigan forward, Warren Aspinall, for a similar fee.

Supreme test

Joe Johnson, the world snooker champion, Stephen Hendry, the Scottish champion, and Liverpool's John Parrott are three newcomers in the eight-man field for the Langs Supreme Masters tournament at the Hospitality Inn, Glasgow, from September 18 to 21. They join the holder, Cliff Thorburn, former winner Jimmy White, Tony Knowles, Kirk Stevens and Alex Higgins in the first major tournament of the 1986-87 season.

FOOTBALL

Shilton hands it to Maradona

The England team returned home yesterday after their controversial defeat at the hands of Argentina and the hand of Diego Maradona. The party, without their manager, Bobby Robson, and the defender Terry Fenwick, arrived at Heathrow from Miami and expressed disappointment at the way in which they failed to secure a semi-final place.

Don Howe, the coach, said: "It was very disappointing to be knocked out in that way. But the referee is only human and he made a mistake like anybody else. Maradona is a genius."

Peter Shilton, who had the closest look at the controversial goal by the man regarded as the world's greatest player, said: "Maradona's second goal was tremendous. He simply came through, beat a couple of players and it was a great goal. But as for the first one, it was a little bit dubious to say the least. That started him off. He hadn't done a lot until then."

"We're just a little bit sick we've had to come home early. It's been a happy World Cup in some ways and we seem to have been able to put England back on the football map."

Bryan Robson, the captain, who was ruled out of the later matches through a shoulder injury, said: "We fought back well in that game — a lot of teams would have crumbled at 2-0 down."

Gary Lineker, who scored six goals including three against Poland, looks set to



win the Golden Boot award as the tournament's highest scorer. Asked about the chance he had to equalize in the dying moments, Lineker said: "I still don't quite know how it didn't go in. It's just unfortunate. I now fancy Argentina to win the World Cup because of Maradona."

The sports minister, Dick Tracy, greeted the team at Heathrow. He said: "They did extremely well and left a great impression in Mexico. The people were sorry to see them go and the reports about the behaviour of our fans out there have been very good."

© Bobby Robson's "reward" for leading England to the quarter-finals will be an extended contract, probably through to the World Cup finals in Italy in 1990. "Sack him! Don't be daft. As far as I'm concerned, he's done a good job, and can stay on as long as he likes," Dick Wrage, the International Committee chairman, said. "It wasn't his fault we were robbed of a semi-final chance. He'll see us through the European Championships and probably the next World Cup, too."

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CRICKET

Test men return to ranks

Cricket's underdogs have their day today, when 13 minor counties, as well as Scotland and Ireland take on first-class opposition in the first round of the NatWest Trophy. In the remaining tie Northamptonshire entertain Middlesex at Northampton, where the best contest may be expected.

Middlesex, who have been badly out of sorts of late, are reinforced by the return of their Test players, including their captain and leading batsman, Gatting. Gower, Gatting's predecessor as England captain, who has missed two games because of a shoulder injury, returns to their game against Ireland at Grace Road, Kent's captain, Chris

Cowdrey, hopes to have recovered from a foot injury to lead the side against Scotland in Edinburgh. Dilley is back but another England bowler, Ellison, is ruled out by an ankle injury.

To bolster their challenge several minor counties have recalled their overseas professionals. They were banned from all minor counties competitions from the start of this season under a new ruling excluding all players not qualified for England, but they are eligible to play for their former counties today.

Among those called up are Mudassar Nazar (Pakistan) for Cheshire, who also include the former England opening batsman, Barry Wood, against out-of-form Surrey at Birkenhead, Derick Parry (West

Indies) for Cambridgeshire against Yorkshire at Headingley and Wazir Khan (Pakistan) for Durham against Warwickshire at Edgbaston. Last season Durham recorded their second win over a first-class county when they cruised home by seven wicket against Derbyshire at Derby.

Essex, holders of the trophy after beating Nottinghamshire by one run in a thrilling final at Lord's last September, face Northumberland at Jesmond and have added the you batsman, Stephenson, to the party as cover for Fletcher whose right thumb was injured against Middlesex yesterday. Chris Old, the former England bowler, will play Northumberland

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YACHTING

From favourite to fortunate

From Barry Pickthall, Newport, Rhode Island

Apricot, the 60ft British trimaran, set out from Plymouth on June 8 as favourite to win the Carlsberg two-handed transatlantic race, but when she arrived here on Monday to take third place overall, skipper Tony Bullimore and Walter Greene, his American partner, were perhaps lucky to reach Newport at all, let alone win Class II.

When the pair limped across the Brenton Tower finish line at 1.44 pm, having taken 15 days 6 hours and 44 minutes to complete the 3,000

mile crossing, Apricot's daggerboard had got a jagged stump following a collision with a whale and every available piece of cord was employed to string the mainsail up.

Their problems began on the first day out when the mainsail slides holding the sail to Apricot's wing mast started breaking. Each time — and it happened on 16 occasions during the voyage — the two lost half an hour putting down the sail to make repairs.

Eight days out, the trimaran

collided with a whale. "We were doing 10 to 12 knots at the time," Bullimore said. "Suddenly we heard a heavy bang and the boat stopped dead, then 20 minutes later the bottom of the daggerboard dropped off leaving us with no more than a two-foot jagged edge under the boat."

Robert Nickerson and Jeff Taylor, still 1,200 miles from Newport, have reported serious structural and rigging damage to their 60ft monohull Cherry Valley Superdual, but plan to continue towards the finish.